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THE 1940 CACTUS

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ELBERT E. DAY

SUPERINTENDENT

Ten grade schools, two junior high schools, and a senior high school look to Mr. Elbert E. Day for his efficient guidance of their many and varied curricular activities.

Mr. Day was born in Markle, Indiana. He graduated from Marion High School and later

attended Marion Normal College, Columbia University, and Indiana University. He has received his A.B. and A.M. degrees.

Before becoming affiliated with the Marion schools, he was in charge of teacher training work in Toledo, Ohio. He has also served in other school systems in the mid-west and in Indiana University.

Elbert E. Day has proved himself a leader by his distinguished efforts in the great field of education and in many civic affairs. His hobby is the study of world peace. He gives generously of his time in working out new and practical methods for the school. These methods keep Marion among those at the top in the field of education.





JOHN W. KENDALL

PRINCIPAL

John W. Kendall—to know and just to talk with this man, who is best known to us as the principal of Marion High School, is indeed a challenge to strive for the best in life. To each student he gives his special attention in guidance and advice of a moral as well as a scholastic education.

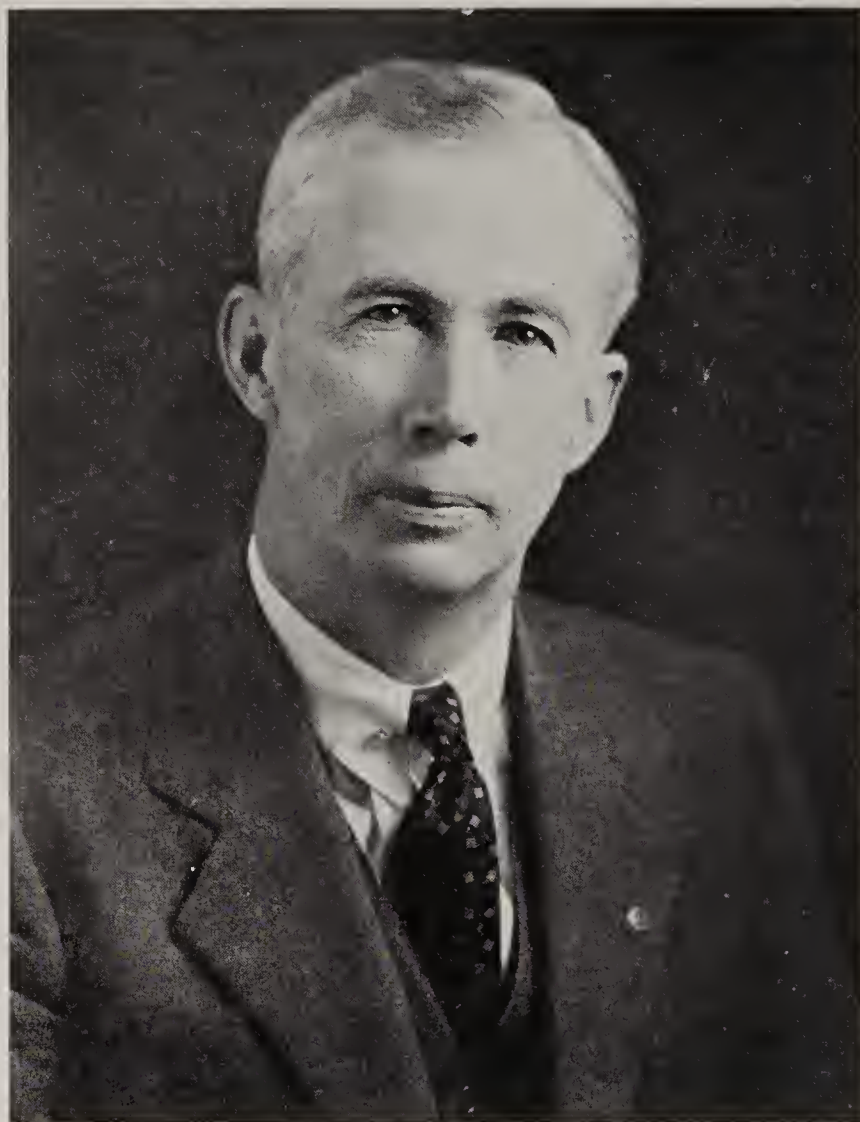
Before coming to Marion, Mr. Kendall was principal of Peru High School. He attended Indiana State Normal and Indiana University, where he obtained both the A.B. and A.M. degrees. He especially likes history and literature, while his favorite diversions are reminiscing and reading.

Mr. Kendall is constantly at work arranging programs and activities which are interesting as

well as helpful for the students. He adds much humor to the convocations by telling some story about a student or a favorite alumnus.

The distinguished leadership of Mr. Kendall and his efficient guidance of Marion High School cannot be over estimated.





MAYO D. FOLAND

VOCATIONAL DIRECTOR

The past twenty years have seen Mayo D. Foland, vocational director of the Marion schools, actively engaged in carrying out his duties with the efficiency which characterizes his work. His duties are chiefly the maintenance work in the schools of the city, the purchasing of supplies necessary for the different buildings, and the supervision of repair and shop work necessary to

keep the Marion schools in good condition.

Mr. Foland's educational background is interesting and varied. He attended Elwood High School and Indiana University, obtaining his A.B. degree at the latter school. His postgraduate work took him to Terre Haute State Normal School and the University of Chicago. His first experience as a teacher was at Middletown, Indiana. After one year there he went to Elwood Junior High School for another year's teaching. He spent the following eleven year's at Shelbyville, six as a physics instructor and five as principal. From there he came to Marion and has remained here since.

His twenty years in Marion have proved him to be a capable and popular personage, in city as well as school life. He is secretary of the Y.M.C.A. board, a member of Lions International, superintendent of the First Methodist Church school, and is also official timer for the Marion High School basketball games.



THE FACULTY

ENGLISH



Back Row—Miss Breadheft, Mr. Longerich, Miss Aveline.

Front Row—Miss Wilhite, Miss Ballinger, Miss Hanes.

HISTORY



Back Row—Miss Middleton, Miss Renbarger, Miss DuBois.

Front Row—Mr. Smith, Miss Wall, Mr. Allen.

MATHEMATICS



Miss Lewis, Mr. Naugle, Miss Ballinger.

FOREIGN LANGUAGES



Seated—Miss Neal.

Standing—Miss Wortman, Miss Hendricks, Miss Brownlee.



Mrs. Kridel Mr. Jacobson

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

MUSIC AND ART



At Piano—Miss Craft.

Standing—Miss Cleveland, Mr. Jones, Mr. Polley.

SCIENCE



Mrs. Mayhugh, Mr. Link, Mr. Blossom.

VOCATIONAL



Seated—Mr. Crane, Miss Heck.

Standing—Mr. Ballard, Mr. Penrod.

COMMERCIAL



Standing—Mr. Cole.
Seated—Mr. Sipe, Miss Flick, Miss Lynch.

CAFETERIA

Miss Moe, cafeteria supervisor;

LIBRARY

Miss Johnson, librarian;

OFFICE

Miss Helm, clerk.





ROBERT VOGEL, President

SENIORS

Pictured on these pages are the four people who led the Senior class of 1940 during their last year in Marion high school. They were nominated by petitions, and won their offices through the results of an election in which all recognized members of the senior class voted. What made them popular enough to be chosen as the officers of this class can be seen in the following brief glimpse at some of their achievements in school.

Robert Vogel, president, was a basketball star for two years after having graduated from the ranks of the second team. In 1939 as a junior he was noted as the sparkplug of his team, and in 1940, after being named captain by his teammates, he again sparked the team as they brought to Marion high school its first North Central Conference basketball title.

Harriett Rhett, vice president, is noted as an outstanding girl vocalist and for her whole-

KNOW THEM BY THEIR DEEDS

ROBERT ABBOTT—Easter Parade. **ANNETTE ABEL**—Latin Club; Girl Reserves; Spanish Club; Mask and Mallet Club; Easter Parade. **HELEN LOUISE ALLEN**—Girl Reserves. **MARGIE ARMSTRONG**—Easter Parade; "Lucky Girl"; Girl Reserve Cabinet; Art Club; Cactus Staff. **WILSON LEROY BAKER**—Hi-Y President; History Club; Latin Club; Easter Parade. **WILLIAM M. BALLARD, Jr.**—Spanish Club; Intramural. **MARGARET BALLENGER**—Girl Reserves; Survey Staff; Marion Hi Revue; Easter Parade. **ESTHER BARLEY**—Girl Reserves. **GRETCHEN BARTELS**—Girl Reserve Cabinet; Easter Parade Princess; Mask and Mallet Club; Survey Staff; N.S.P.A. Delegate; Circulation Manager of Cactus; Junior Prom Queen; Marion Hi Revue; Spanish Club; "Young April." **DAVID BENJAMIN**—Hi-Y; Easter Parade 1-2-3; "Meet The Duchess"; "High Principles"; "Lucky Girl"; Senior Class Play; Marion Hi Revue; Football; Track; Intramural. **WILLIAM BERGER**—Spanish Club; Intramural; Science Club. **LOY LOVE BERNARD**—Girl Reserves; Mask and Mallet Club; "Lucky Girl"; Survey Staff; "Meet The Duchess"; Secretary Spanish Club; Orchestra. **ELAINE BeVARD**—Latin Club; Spanish Club; Girl Reserves. **JOHN F. BeVARD**—Band; Art Club; "Bosn's Bride"; Spanish Club; Easter Parade; Marion Hi Revue. Hi-Y; **ARTHUR LEWIS BEYLER**—President Science Club; Latin Club; Basketball; Treasurer Sophomore Class. **JAMES C. BILLHEIMER**—Band; Track; Orchestra; Hi-Y. **CHARLES BISCOB**—Band. **MARGARET BISH**—Easter Parade; Girl Reserves; Marion Hi Revue. **KENNETH EUGENE BOTKIN**—Hi-Y; Latin Club; Science Club; Easter Parade. **JEAN BRANNON**—Girl Reserve President; Cactus Staff; Survey Staff; Easter Parade, 2-3; Latin Club; entered from Weston, West Virginia. **JEAN BRECKENRIDGE**—Latin Club; Mask and Mallet Club; Girl Reserves; Easter Parade. **JACK BROWER**—Easter Parade; Intramural; Survey Staff. **EVELYN LOUISE BROWN**—Girl Reserve. **ROBERT EDWIN BRUNER**—Band; Hi-Y.

Robert Abbott

Annette Abel

Helen Louise Allen

Margie Armstrong

Wilson Leroy Baker

William M. Ballard, Jr.

Margaret Ballenger

Esther Barley

Gretchen Bartels

David Benjamin

William Berger

Loy Love Bernard

Elaine BeVard

John F. BeVard

Arthur Lewis Beyler

James C. Billheimer

Charles Biscomb

Margaret Bish

Kenneth Eugene Botkin

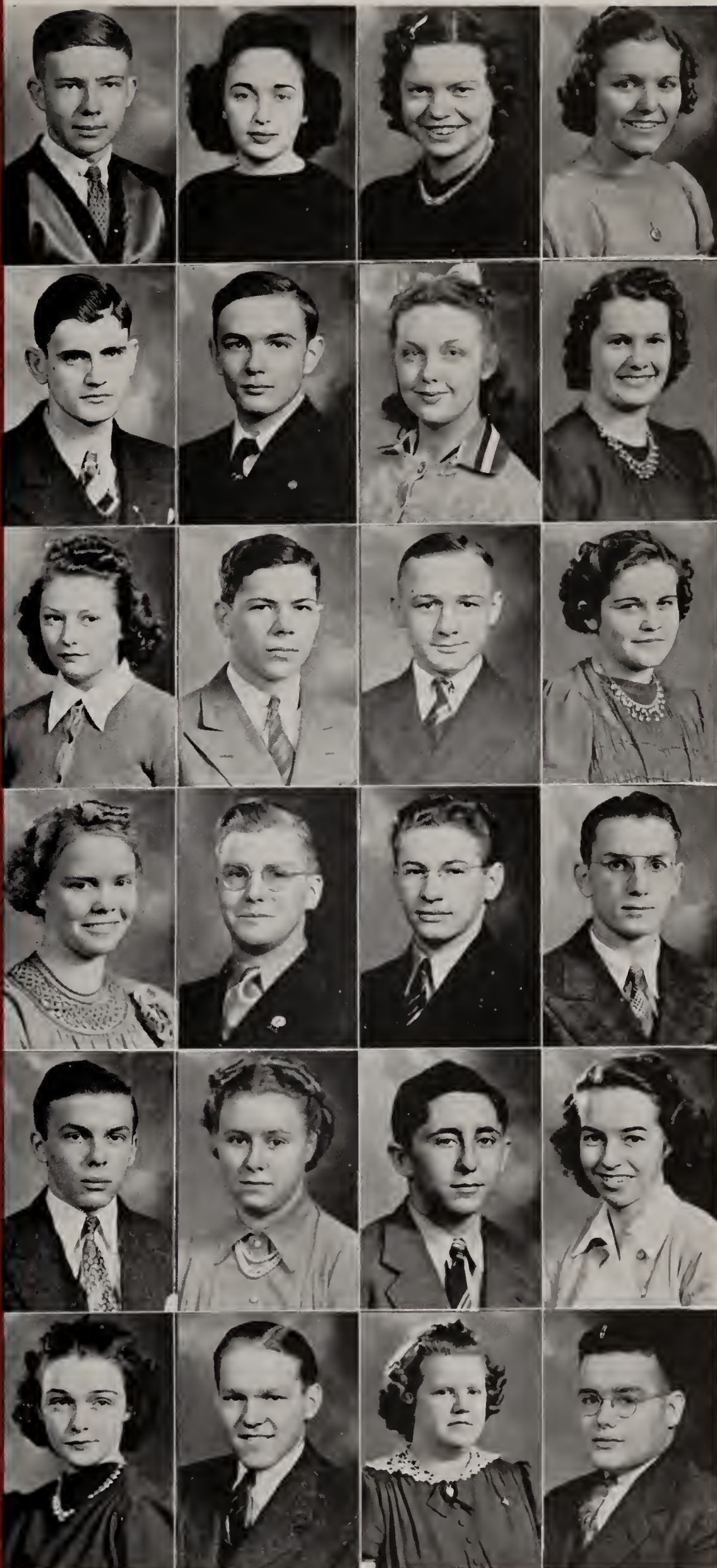
Jean Brannon

Jean Breckenridge

Jack Brower

Evelyn Louise Brown

Robert Edwin Bruner





HARRIETT RHETTS, Vice-President

hearted cooperation in staging the Easter Parade and other activities in school. Eva Marie Stout, secretary, is probably the most successful girl in high school as far as extra-curricular activities are concerned. She was voted "Belle" of the "Balloon Ball" in her junior year and climaxed her three years in Marion high as Queen of the 1940 Easter Parade. Robert Landis, treasurer, was a member of the varsity football team for three years, and was captain of the team in his senior year in school. His name is synonymous with plunges through the enemy ranks on the gridiron. As a member of the school's Conference champions in basketball he also proved a valuable asset.

In the fall in 1937 there wandered into the halls of Marion high school a group of shy, awkward sophomores who were awe-struck by the pell-mell rush of things after having spent the previous three years in Martin Boots, McCulloch or St. Paul schools. They were not easily cowed, however, and proceeded to hold an election to determine who would lead them through their

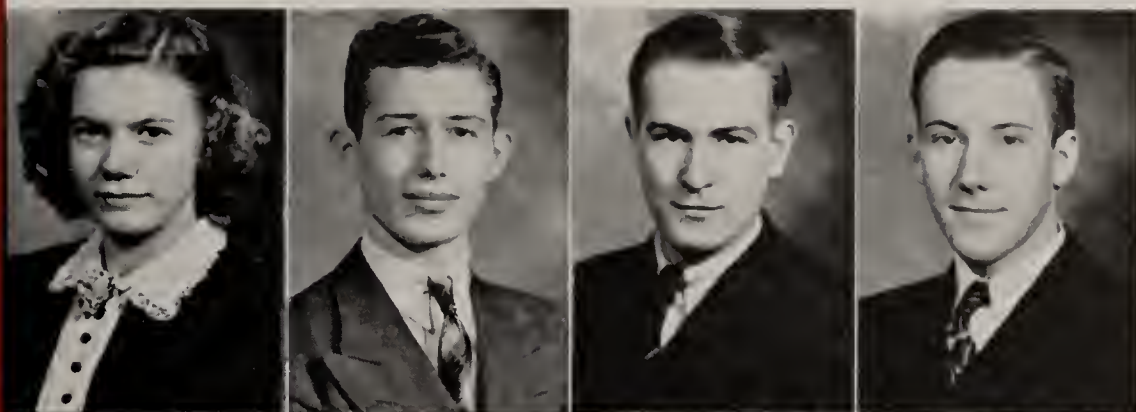
MARY EVELYN BRUNT—Girl Reserve. **ROBERT BRYAN**—Hi-Y; Latin Club; Easter Parade 2-3; Intramural; Marion Hi Revue. **SANFORD BUNCH**—Easter Parade. **THURL C. BURR, Jr.**—Orchestra; Band; Easter Parade; Hi-Y Treasurer; Science Club; Vice President, Latin Club. **GEORGE D. CALENDER**—Spanish Club; Science Club; Intramural; Track; Football; Easter Parade 1-3. **JOE CALOBRACE**—Intramural. **RICHARD CAMBLIN**—Hi-Y; Camera Club; Science Club; Intramural; Track; Survey Staff. **BETTY MAE CARMICHAEL**—Girl Reserves; Band. **WANDA CASSADY**—Science Club; Spanish Club; Girl Reserve. **MERRILL CHAPPEL**—Easter Parade. **CHARLES CIRCLE**—Hi-Y; Easter Parade; Band. **ROBERT COLBERT**—Treasurer of Junior Class; Art Club; Track; Intramural; Survey Staff; Easter Parade. **MARLEAH JUNE CONWAY**—Latin Club; Orchestra; Science Club; Treasurer of History Club; Girl Reserve. **MARY LOUISE COOPER**—Girl Reserve. **HOWARD CRESS**—Camera Club; Cactus Staff; Christmas Play; Easter Parade. **MARTHA JEANE CRETSINGER**—Girl Reserve; Spanish Club; G.A.A. **MAGDALENE L. CROUCH**—G.A.A.; Girl Reserve; Easter Parade. **ROBERT CROUSE**—Intramural; Football. **JAMES DAUGHERTY**—Band; Orchestra; Marion Hi Revue. **PAUL DAVIDSON**—Football; Art Club. **PAULINE DAVIDSON**—Spanish Club; Girl Reserve; Cactus Staff. **BETTE DAVIS**—Girl Reserve; Latin Club; "Meet The Duchess"; Marion Hi Revue; Easter Parade. **MIRIAM VIRGINIA DEAL**—Art Club; Girl Reserve. **EDWIN W. DEERING**—Hi-Y; Spanish Club; Art Club; Intramural; Easter Parade; Marion Hi Revue.

Mary Evelyn Brunt

Robert Bryan

Sanford Bunch

Thurl C. Burr, Jr.

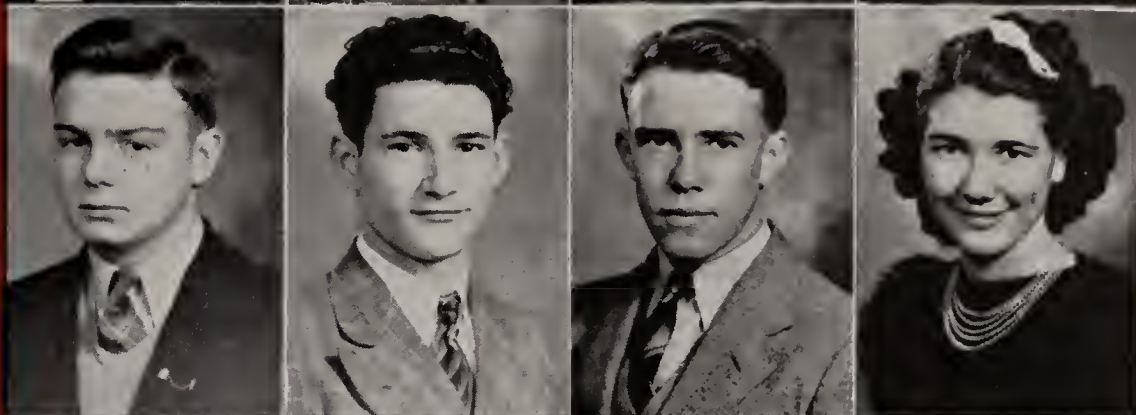


George D. Calender

Joe Calobrace

Richard Camblin

Betty Mae Carmichael

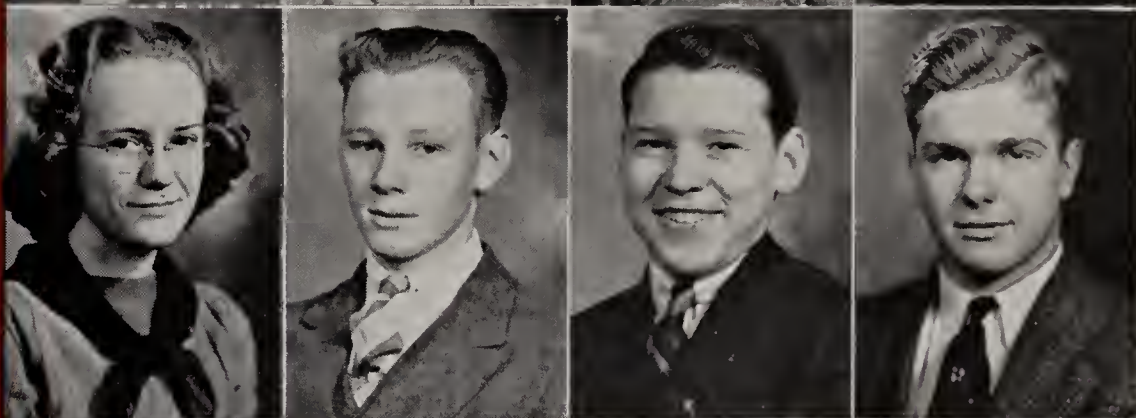


Wanda Cassady

Merrill Chappel

Charles Circle

Robert Colbert



Marleah June Conway

Mary Louise Cooper

Howard Cress

Martha J. Cretsinger

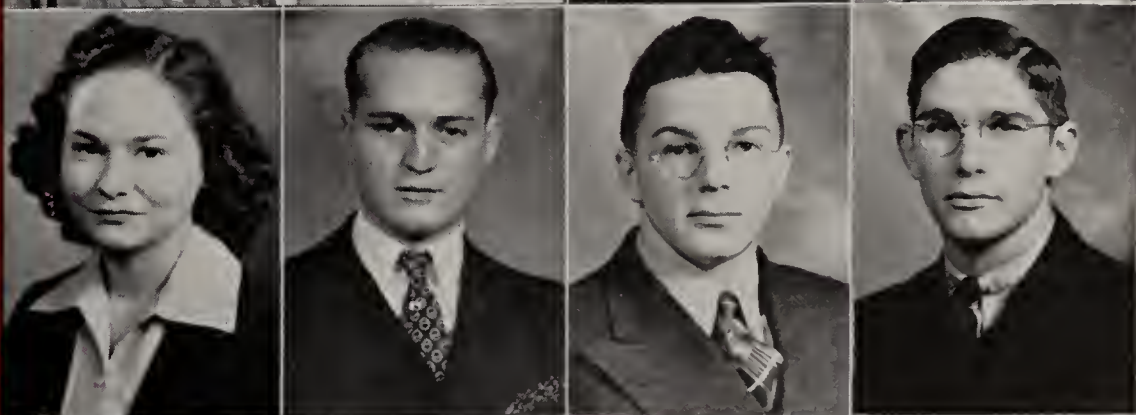


Magdalene L. Crouch

Robert Crouse

James Daugherty

Paul Davidson

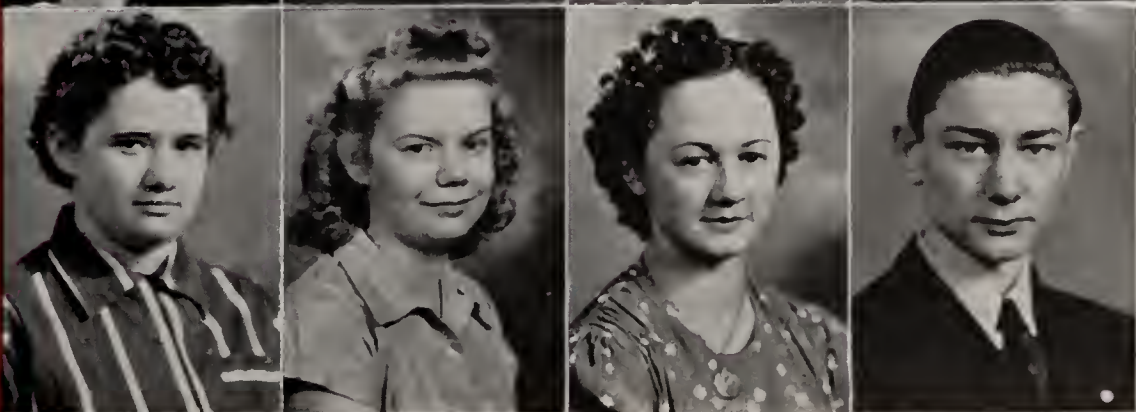


Pauline Davidson

Bette Davis

Miriam Virginia Deal

Edwin W. Deering





EVA MARIE STOUT, Secretary

first year in the "big place." They chose as their officers, Kenneth Pence, David Benjamin, Eva Marie Stout, and Arthur Beyler. With the passing of time they became bolder, and held a Saint Patrick's Day party on March 17, 1938. During the year several of their number were busy establishing themselves in dramatics, athletics, and in the innumerable other activities available in the school system. They also became noted as a class whose members dominated the scholastic honor roll of the year.

Along in the spring of the year 1938 they were no longer green fledglings, but seasoned veterans, ready to become full-fledged juniors when school reopened in the fall.

Because of their experiences of that year they were now blooming into domineering juniors. No more would they bow to the will of the upperclassmen; no more would they gaze with curiosity and awe around the corridors; no more were they shy and timid. The 1938 Cactus even went so far as to predict that someday this 1938 sophomore class would be seniors. Let's follow

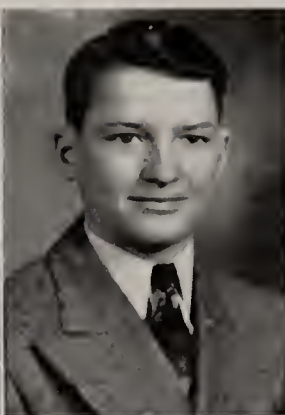
LESLIE DOLD—Basketball; Football; Hi-Y. **MERRILL DOOLEY**—Easter Parade; Hi-Y. **JACK A. DRUCKEMILLER**—Band; Orchestra; President Camera Club; Latin Club; "Lucky Girl"; Easter Parade. **MYRON E. EARHART**—Intramural; Marion Hi Revue. **BOYD J. ERNST**—Spanish Club; History Club; Science Club; Intramural; Easter Parade. **GEORGE S. EWBANK**—Spanish Club; Intramural; Entered from Van Buren High School. **BETTY IRENE FARLEY**—Girl Reserve. **EDGAR FAULKNER**—Football; Track; Easter Parade. **McKINLEY FAULKNER**—Track; Art Club; Spanish Club. **FRANK FEARNEY**—D.A.R. Award; Entered from Union-Scioto, Chillicothe, Ohio. **HELEN JOAN FERGUSON**—Girl Reserves; Latin Club. **WINIFRED FERGUSON**—Girl Reserves; Easter Parade; Art Club; Marion Hi Revue. **MAURICE FISH**—Easter Parade. **HELEN MARIE FISHER**—Latin Club; Easter Parade; Girl Reserves; Marion Hi Revue. **ROBERT SAMUEL FISHER**—"High Principles"; Marion Hi Revue; Orchestra. **WAYNE FOLKERTH**—Hi-Y; Football; Debate Team; Entered from Oxford High School, Tennessee Military Institute. **EUGENE VICTOR FORTNEY**—Intramural; Hi-Y; Spanish Club; Easter Parade. **MILLARD FORTNEY, Jr.**—Intramural; Track. **WILLIAM FOWLER**—Varsity Basketball; President of Art Club; Survey Staff; Easter Parade; Cactus Staff; Hi-Y. **PHIL GABBERT**—Easter Parade; "Rosemary for Remembrance"; Hi-Y; Marion Hi Revue. **BOBETTA ELAINE GABRIEL**—Girl Reserves; Survey Staff; Marion Hi Revue; Spanish Club; Easter Parade Princess; Mask and Mallet Club. **SAUL GANZ**—Hi-Y; Easter Parade. **ERMAL EDWYN GARINGER**—Spanish Club; History Club. **CATHERINE GEAR**—Girl Reserve; Easter Parade, Spanish Club.

Leslie Dold

Merrill Dooley

Jack A. Druckemiller

Myron E. Earhart

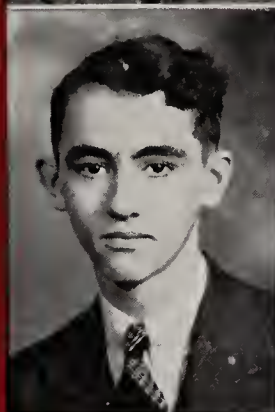


Boyd J. Ernst

George S. Ewbank

Betty Irene Farley

Edgar Faulkner



McKinley Faulkner

Frank Fearney

Helen Joan Ferguson

Winifred Ferguson

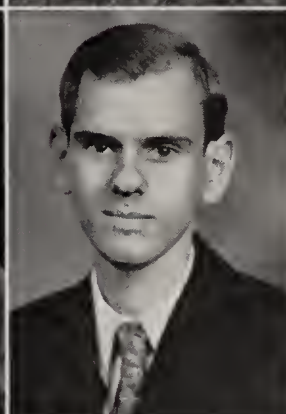


Maurice Fish

Helen Marie Fisher

Robert Samuel Fisher

Wayne Folkerth

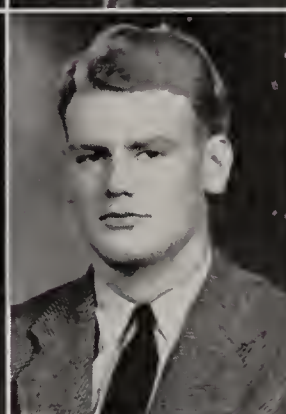
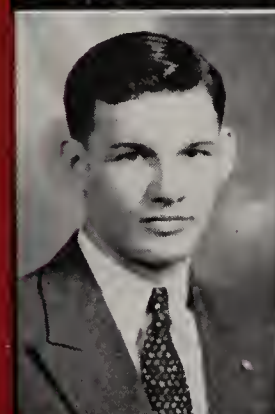


Eugene Victor Fortney

Millard Fortney, Jr.

William Fowler

Phil Gabbert



Bobetta Elaine Gabriel

Saul Ganz

Ermal Edwyn Garinger

Catherine Gear





ROBERT LANDIS, Treasurer

them through their trails toward that ultimate goal. The seniors of 1938 bade them farewell and wished them good luck for the coming years, then graduated into campus or business life.

Evidently these formerly green sophomores spent the entire summer thinking up new worlds to conquer for when school opened in the fall they were back again with seemingly an unlimited supply of outstanding leaders, athletes, scholars, and other things which make an unusual class. After the opening few weeks of organization had the school running smoothly, they rallied their forces at a mass meeting and nominated candidates for class officers. Then the candidates, backed by their rabid supporters, launched their campaigns, and when the hub-bub had subsided and the smoke of the election battle had cleared, they looked with pride on their newly elected leaders; namely Robert Price, Robert Vogel, Rosemary York, and Robert Colbert.

Their new leaders had the whole-hearted support of the class and immediately started directing a year that was to make history for the

EMILY JEAN GEORGE—Girl Reserves; History Club; Latin Club; Debate Team; Survey Staff; Easter Parade 1-2-3; "Lucky Girl"; Marion Hi Revue. **ALLEN GILMORE**—Hi-Y; Football; Varsity Basketball; Track. **PHYLLIS GILTNER**—Senior Play; Girl Reserve Cabinet Member; Band; Easter Parade 1-2-3; Orchestra; Survey Staff; "Rosemary for Remembrance"; "High Principles"; Marion Hi Revue. **RONALD GIPSON**—Football; Band; Science Club; Easter Parade. **ROBERT E. GOLDMAN**—Football; Easter Parade; Marion Hi Revue; "Young April." **TELETHA GOODACRE**—G.A.A.; Girl Reserve. **DAISY IRENE GRAY**—Girl Reserves; G.A.A.; entered from Jefferson Township High School. **EARL E. GREEN**—Intramural. **ROBERT GUTHRIE**—Marion Hi Revue; Easter Parade. **MARTHA HALL**—Easter Parade 1-2-3; "Growing Pains"; President of Spanish Club; Girl Reserve Secretary; Art Club; History Club; Survey Staff. **LaVERNE ELOISE HARLEY**—Girl Reserve; Spanish Club; G.A.A. **ROBERT E. HEAVILIN**—Band; Orchestra. **VIRGINIA LOUISE HENDEY**—Girl Reserve; Band; Orchestra; G.A.A.; Easter Parade. **MAX HENRY**—Art Club; Spanish Club; Easter Parade; Marion Hi Revue. **MIRIAM HENRY**—G.A.A.; Girl Reserve; Spanish Club. **GLADYS HOLMQUIST**—Girl Reserve. **JACK RICHARD HOOKER**—Student Manager of Football team; N.S.P.A. delegate; Latin Club; Business Manager of Cactus; Science Club; Easter Parade; Intramural; Marion Hi Revue; Science Club; History Club; Cactus Frolic; I.H.S.P.A. delegate. **RICHARD LEE HULCE**—Spanish Club. **ROBERT HULCE**—Intramural. **ESTHER JACOB**—Girl Reserve; Easter Parade 1-2; Marion Hi Revue. **ALLEN LeROY JOHNSON**—Intramural; Easter Parade. **WILLARD JOLLIFF**—Glee Club; Easter Parade. **MARGARET JANE JONES**—Girl Reserves. **VIRGINIA JONES**—Girl Reserve; "Lucky Girl"; Marion Hi Revue; Survey Staff; Latin Club; Mask and Mallet Club; Easter Parade.

Emily Jean George

Allen Gilmore

Phyllis Giltner

Ronald Gipson



Robert E. Goldman

Teletha Goodacre

Daisy Irene Gray

Earl E. Green

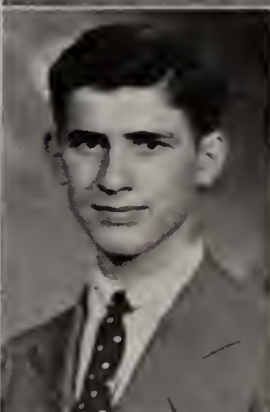
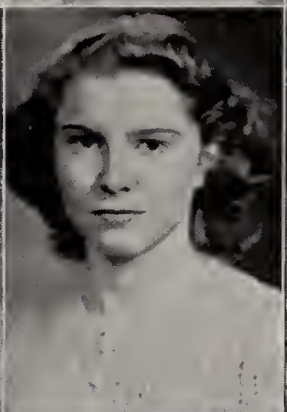
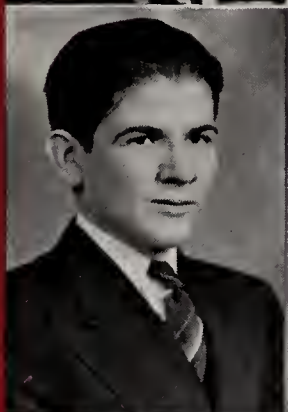


Robert Guthrie

Martha Hall

LaVerne Eloise Harley

Robert E. Heavilin



Virginia Louise Hendey

Max Henry

Miriam Henry

Gladys Holmquist

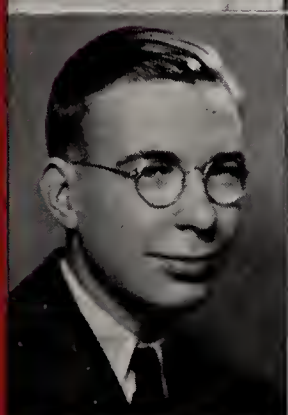


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Richard Lee Hulce

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Esther Jacob

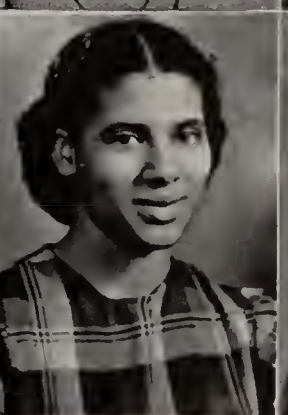


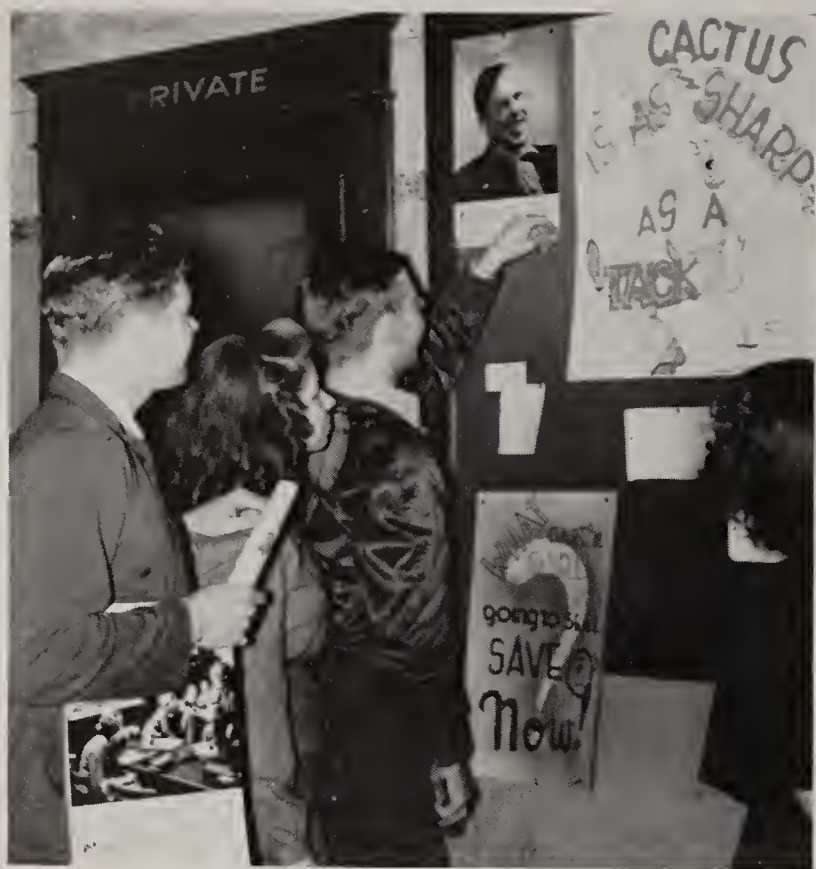
Allen LeRoy Johnson

Willard Jolliff

Margaret Jane Jones

Virginia Jones





Posters announce Cactus subscription drive.

juniors of 1939. They gave their annual party, of course, and what a success it was. Named "The Balloon Ball," it proved outstanding in a number of ways. One of the highlights of their party was the floorshow, which was highlighted by the crowning of "The Belle of the Ball." The Belle, Miss Eva Marie Stout, was selected by the members of the basketball team and presided over the floorshow and dance. During the evening the happy throng was pleased by a shower of balloons from the ceiling, and a mad scramble ensued among bursting balloons as the dancers sought the theatre tickets placed in many of the elusive, air-filled objects. Just to top the whole affair off the financial results were most gratifying. Many classes would pause after such an affair as that to rest on their laurels, but not this bunch!

They immediately plunged into the tedious work of presenting a junior class play, the first attempted in several years by a junior class. On the nights of March 8 and 9 they unveiled their talents, and, with their usual machine-like preci-

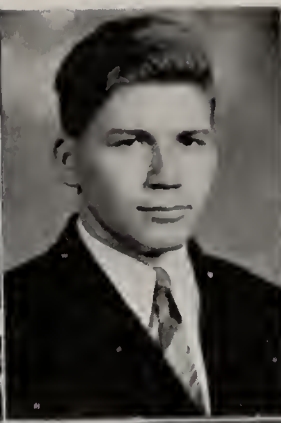
BARBARA LOUISE KEES—Spanish Club; Girl Reserves; Easter Parade; Marion Hi Revue. **ROBERT EARL KEITH**—Football; Intramural. **ROBERT PATRICK KILEY**—Survey Staff; Co-editor of Signal; Intramural; Easter Parade; "Lucky Girl"; Science Club; Cactus Frolic; Marion Hi Revue. **NEIL KOLDYKE**—Intramural. **BETTY KORPORAL**—Girl Reserves; G.A.A. Science Club; Junior Attendant of Easter Parade. **ROBERT LANDIS**—Basketball; Treasurer Senior Class; Marion Hi Revue; Football Captain; Art Club; Spanish Club; Easter Parade. **BETTY ANN LAVENGOOD**—Girl Reserves; Spanish Club; Easter Parade 1-2-3; Mask and Mallet Club; Cactus Staff; Director of Dances for Marion Hi Revue; "Young April." **RICHARD O. LESLIE**—"Meet the Duchess"; Band; Marion Hi Revue; Cactus Staff. **KENNETH LEVERTON**—Intramural; entered from Van Buren High School. **JOY LONG**—Spanish Club; Girl Reserves; entered from Grand Rapids, Michigan. **ROBERT LYTTLE**—Band; History Club; Cactus Staff. **JOSEPH ARDEN McAFEE**—Easter Parade; Band; Hi-Y. **MARJORIE D. McATEE**—Girl Reserves; Spanish Club; Easter Parade. **MARY McCORKLE**—Girl Reserves; Science Club; entered from Michigan City, Indiana. **JAMES McKOWN**—Easter Parade; "Rosemary for Remembrance"; Latin Club; Science Club; Cactus Staff; Orchestra; Track. **LLOYD McLARTY**—Basketball; Track. **JEAN McMASTERS**—Art Club; Easter Parade. **LYLE E. McMULLEN**—Band; Orchestra; Hi-Y; Student Manager of Track and Football team; Intramural. **GLEN McPHERSON**—Intramural. **WANDA JEAN McRAE**—Orchestra; Girl Reserves; G.A.A.; "Rosemary for Remembrance"; "High Principles"; Marion Hi Revue; Easter Parade. **EARL MASON**—Hi-Y; Easter Parade; Band; Latin Club. **BETTY JANE MATTHEWS**—Girl Reserve Cabinet; Survey Staff; Cactus Staff; Latin Club; Spanish Club; History Club; "Lucky Girl"; Easter Parade 1-2-3; G.A.A. **MILDRED MELLENDORF**—Art Club; Girl Reserves. **WILSON MIGNEREY**—Track; Glee Club.

Barbara Louise Kees

Robert Earl Keith

Robert Patrick Kiley

Neil Koldyke

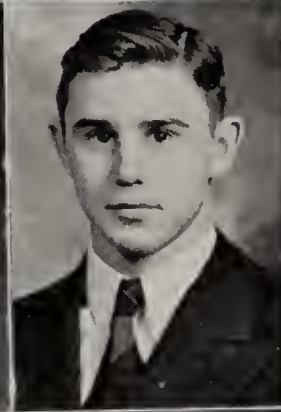


Betty Korporal

Robert Landis

Betty Ann Lavengood

Richard O. Leslie



Kenneth Leverton

Joy Long

Robert Lytle

Joseph Arden McAfee



Marjorie D. McAtee

Mary McCorkle

James McKown

Lloyd McLarty

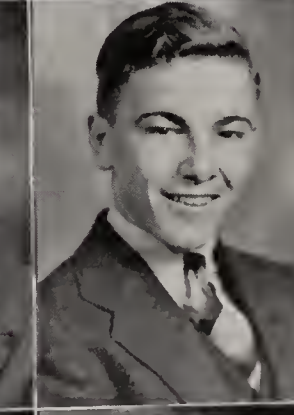


Jean McMasters

Lyle E. McMullen

Glen McPherson

Wanda Jean McRae

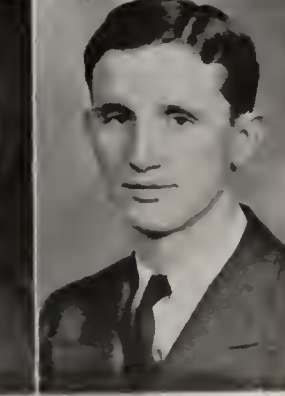
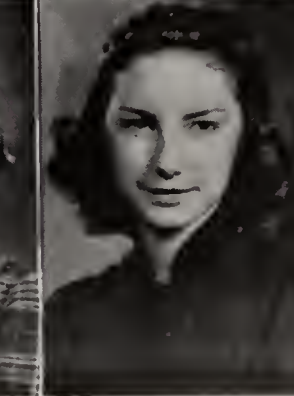


Earl Mason

Betty Jane Matthews

Mildred Mellendorf

Wilson Mignerey





N. C. C. Champs huddle with Coach Hooker.

sion, they reeled off the comedy, "Lucky Girl" in professional style. Coached by dramatics instructor Edward B. Longerich, they were very successful and again swelled the coffers as a result. Incidentally, the play was supposed to be a comedy and it proved to be just that.

While all this activity was progressing in such a successful way other juniors were making their marks in the various other phases of school life. Eight juniors received sweaters for their excellent efforts on the gridiron; nine out of the tournament squad of twelve were juniors on the basketball team; the tennis, track, and golf squads also were generously sprinkled with junior class athletes. The honor roll, as it had the previous year, listed a dominant number of juniors among its number. Was this class ever going to stop making history? Evidently not, for when spring rolled around they greeted it with their Junior Prom.

The Junior Prom 1939 was held in Memorial Coliseum. Dance music was provided by Paul

ROBERT MILFORD—Latin Club; Easter Parade; Hi-Y. **RAYMOND LEROY MILLER**—Latin Club; Intramural. **PHILL K. MOONEY**—"Lucky Girl"; Football; Intramural; Cactus Staff; Marion Hi Revue; Entered from Champion Prep, Prairie Du Chein, Wisconsin. **FRIEDA MOORE**—G.A.A.; Girl Reserves. **VIVIAN LOUISE MOSS**—Girl Reserve; Spanish Club; Glee Club; Marion Hi Revue; Easter Parade. **MARY NEALIS**—Girl Reserves; G.A.A.; Science Club. **MARDELLA NELSON**—Easter Parade. **PAULINE E. NICHOLLS**—Art Club; Girl Reserves. **ELLEN NIGHTENHELSE**—Girl Reserves. **FRANK NORKUS**—"Bos'n's Bride; Marion Hi Revue. **JAMES C. NORMAN**—Marion Hi Revue; Easter Parade. **GEORGE OVERMAN**—History Club; Spanish Club; Science Club. **JOHN R. OVERMAN**—Tennis; History Club; "Lucy Girl"; "Meet The Duchess"; Marion Hi Revue; Debate Team; Easter Parade. **THERON OWEN**—Latin Club; Hi-Y; Basketball; Football; Track; Easter Parade. **JAMES PALMER**—Easter Parade. **TOMMY PASSWATER**—Band; Football; Spanish Club; Hi-Y; Easter Parade. **JOAN PATTERSON**—Girl Reserves; Latin Club; Easter Parade; "Young April"; Survey Staff. **LILLIAN PAXTON**—Girl Reserves; Spanish Club. **MARIE PENNINGTON**—Latin Club; Glee Club; Marion Hi Revue; Easter Parade; Art Club; Girl Reserves. **ARBIE BERRY PERKINS**—Intramural; Track; Spanish Club; Art Club; Glee Club. **LEO B. PERKINS**—Art Club; Marion Hi Revue; Easter Parade. **NORA ELIZABETH PERKINS**—Glee Club; G.A.A. **PHILL PERKINS**—Hi-Y; Track; History Club; Camera Club; Intramural; Cactus Staff. **GEORGI-ANNA PFEFFERLE**—G.A.A. Girl Reserves; Easter Parade; Science Club; Camera Club; Dramatics.

Robert Milford

Raymond LeRoy Miller

Phill K. Mooney

Frieda Moore

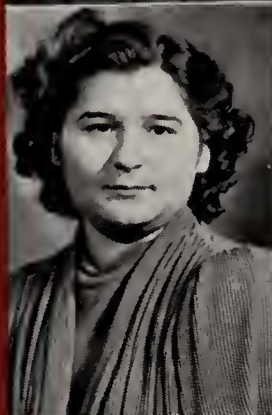


Vivian Louise Moss

Mary Nealis

Mardella Nelson

Pauline B. Nicholls

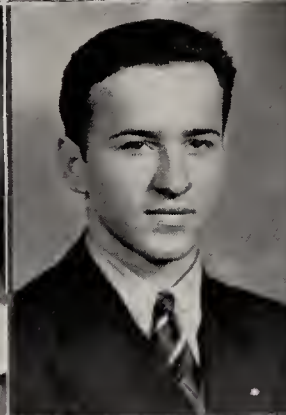


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Frank Norkus

James C. Norman

George Overman

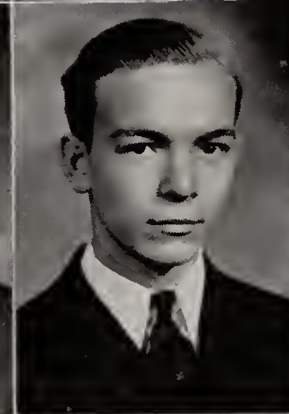
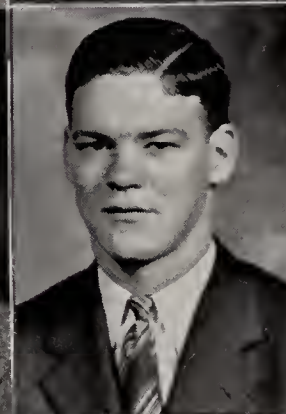
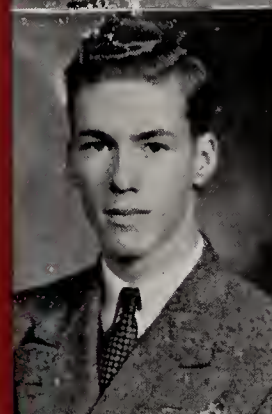


John R. Overman

Theron Owen

James Palmer

Tommy Passwater



Joan Patterson

Lillian Paxton

Marie Pennington

Arbie Berry Perkins

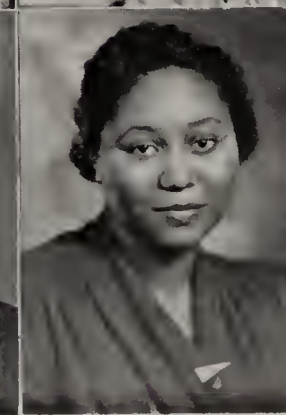
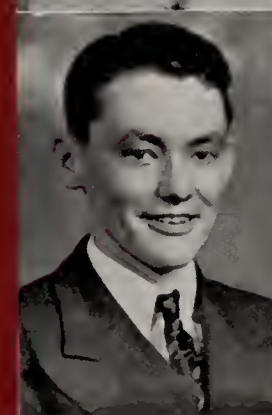


Leo B. Perkins

Nora Elizabeth Perkins

Phill Perkins

Georgianna Pfefferle





Cactus Frolic in full swing.

DeVine and his top-flight Indiana University orchestra. The theme of the dance was a park scene in the spring. Benches were placed around the dance floor in approved park style. The floor was roped off with fresh, natural flowers, which the untiring members of the class collected from all parts of the city and surrounding countryside. The scent of lilacs filled the air and provided a perfect atmosphere for the very successful Prom. Highlighting the evening's entertainment was the crowning of the Junior Prom Queen, Miss Gretchen Bartels, who was elected by the junior class. During the evening she was crowned by the class president, Robert Price, and together they led the impressive Grand March. This very active junior class of 1939 probably had some other successful plans up their sleeves, but the end of the school year was upon them, and they contented themselves in being of what assistance they could in helping the Senior class of 1939 get its graduation exercises taken care of in proper style.

DONNA PFEIFFER—Latin Club; Spanish Club; Easter Parade; Girl Reserve; "Lucky Girl"; Cactus Staff; Survey Staff; Mask and Mallet Club; G.A.A.; History Club. **WILLIAM DUANE PONTZIOUS**—Easter Parade. **MARY VIRGINIA POWELL**—Girl Reserve; Latin Club; Science Club; History Club. **MARTHA POWNELL**—History Club; Latin Club; Easter Parade. **ROBERT PRICE**—Editor-in-Chief, 1940 Cactus; Editor, circulation manager, sports editor, the Survey; "Growing Pains"; "Lucky Girl"; Marion Hi Revue; Hi-Y; Latin Club; Science Club; Easter Parade 1-2-3; I.H.S.P.A. delegate; N.S.P.A. delegate; Mask and Mallet Club; Varsity football; President, Junior Class; Cactus Frolic. **ALBERT PRUDEN**—Track; Survey Staff. **LUCILE PRYOR**—Spanish Club. **JOSEPH RAAB**—entered from Brazil High School, Brazil, Indiana. **HARRISON RAINEY, Jr.**—Easter Parade; Hi-Y. **MARTHA ELLEN RAUCH**—Latin Club; History Club; Girl Reserves; Mask and Mallet Club; Orchestra; Easter Parade; "Meet the Duchess"; Marion Hi Revue; Survey Staff; Cactus Staff. **ANNA LOUISE REDMON**—Girl Reserves; G.A.A.; Marion Hi Revue; Easter Parade. **JEANETTE REED**—Girl Reserves. **ROBERT BROWNING REED**—Art Club; Spanish Club; Cactus Staff; Camera Club; Hi-Y; History Club; Easter Parade 1-2-3; Cactus Frolic; Marion Hi Revue; Science Club. **HARRIETT RHETTS**—Vice-president of Girl Reserves; Marion Hi Revue; Survey Staff; Easter Parade 1-2-3; Vice-president Senior Class; Mask and Mallet Club. **BETTY JEAN RODMAN**—Glee Club; entered from Van Buren High School. **MARJORIE IRIS ROGERS**—Girl Reserves; entered from McKinley School, Muncie, Indiana. **PAUL SAMUELS**—Track; Spanish Club; entered from Jonesboro High School. **BETTIE JAYNNE SCHROEDER**—Girl Reserves; Spanish Club; Easter Parade; Marion Hi Revue. **HOWARD ELLIOT SCHROEDER**—Band; Art Club. **WILMA SEXTON**—Latin Club; Girl Reserves; G.A.A.; Mask and Mallet Club; Survey Staff; Marion Hi Revue; Easter Parade. **JOAN SEYBOLD**—Art Club; Glee Club. **LLOYD SHAFFER**—Easter Parade. **EUGENE SHANNON**—Track. **BETTY EVELYN SHAW**—"High Principles"; Easter Parade 2; History Club; Marion Hi Revue; "Meet the Duchess."

Donna Pfeiffer

William Duane Pontzious

Mary Virginia Powell

Martha Pownell

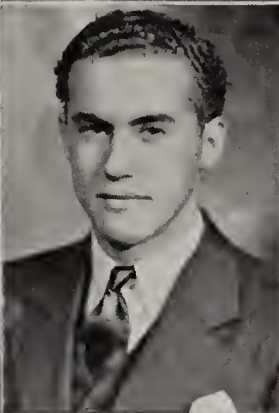


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Albert Pruden

Lucile Pryor

Joseph Raab

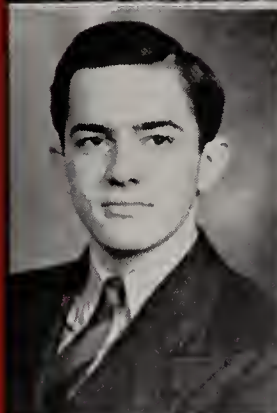


Harrison Rainey, Jr.

Martha Ellen Rauch

Anna Louise Redmon

Jeanette Reed



Robert Browning Reed

Harriett Rhetts

Betty Jean Rodman

Marjorie Iris Rogers



Paul Samuels

Bettie Jayne Schroeder

Howard Elliot Schroeder

Wilma Sexton

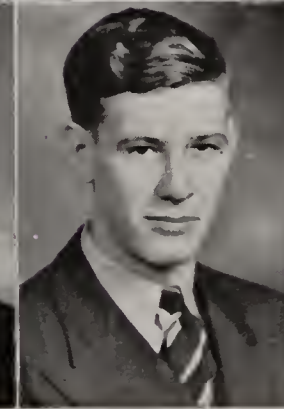
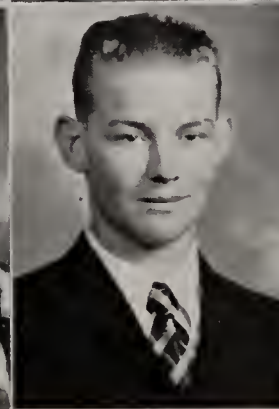


Joan Seybold

Lloyd Shaffer

Eugene Shannon

Betty Evelyn Shaw





A few of our hungry masters.

As a sort of reward for the helping hand lent them by the juniors on the night of graduation, the 1939 Cactus, when it arrived, stated, "There have been other junior classes, but the junior class of 1939 makes it safe to say that the senior class of 1940 will be a good one." Suddenly the 1939 class of juniors then realized what had taken place. They had frolicked through two quick years of high school, and were now the kingpins of the institution—SENIORS AT LAST! What fun it would be to be pointed out in awe by the green sophs as mighty seniors. Summer months passed quickly and the dignified air of seniority enveloped the members of the class.

As usual they nominated, campaigned for, and elected officers to lead them through their final sojourn in the ethereal realms of high school. The chosen four were: Robert Vogel, Harriett Rhetts, Eva Marie Stout, and Robert Landis. The Cactus staff was chosen, and a competent bunch they were. They radically changed the workings

GAYNELLE SIMMONS—Track; Intramural. **MARJORIE JEANETTE SLOAN**—Easter Parade; Girl Reserves; G.A.A. **ANNETTE LEE SLONE**—"Rosemary For Remembrance"; Editor-in-Chief, Survey; Science Club; Easter Parade. **VIRGINIA LOU SMALL**—Girl Reserves. **DOROTHY SMITH**—Girl Reserves. **MARJORIE JEAN SMITH**—Girl Reserves; Band. **VIRGINIA SMITH**—Girl Reserves; Spanish Club; Latin Club. **MARY CATHERINE SNYDER**—Girl Reserves; Easter Parade; entered from Fairmount High School. **MARTHA SNYDER**—Marion Hi Revue; Glee Club. **GARNETTE SPRINKLE**—Girl Reserves; Band; G.A.A.; Spanish Club; entered from Van Buren High School. **EVA MARIE STOUT**—Sophomore-Senior Secretary; "Lucky Girl"; Easter Parade Attendant; Orchestra; Band; Survey Staff; Girl Reserve Cabinet; Queen of 1940 Easter Parade. **ARIES STREET**—Girl Reserves; Spanish Club; Cactus Staff. **PATRICIA STUART**—Girl Reserves; Easter Parade; Spanish Club. **JACK M. SWIHART**—Art Club. **GEORGIA LEE THOMPSON**—Science Club; History Club; Latin Club. **DONN THORNE**—Easter Parade. **RALPH EDWIN TROSTEL**—Hi-Y; Tennis Team; Marion Hi Revue; Easter Parade; Intramural. **LOWELL TROYER**—Track. **GLENN TUSSEY**—Intramural; Easter Parade; Art Club; Spanish Club. **ROBERT VOGEL**—President of Senior Class; Easter Parade; Track; Captain of 1940 Basketball Team; Vice-president Junior Class; Sergeant-at-Arms, Hi-Y; Spanish Club; "Young April." **BETTE JEANNE WAGNER**—Latin Club; Easter Parade Attendant; Band. **EDWIN WAGONER**—Easter Parade; Intramural. **JOHN WALLACE**—Easter Parade; Track. **OPAL WALTER**—Girl Reserves.

Gaynelle Simmons

Marjorie Jeannette Sloan

Annette Lee Slone

Virginia Lou Small



Dorothy Smith

Marjorie Jean Smith

Virginia Smith

Mary Catherine Snyder

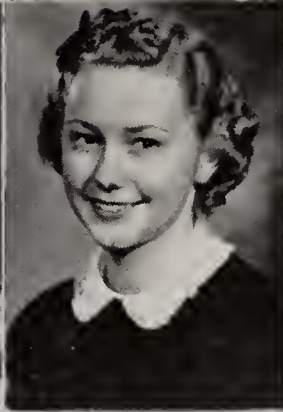


Martha Snyder

Garnette Sprinkle

Eva Marie Stout

Aries Street

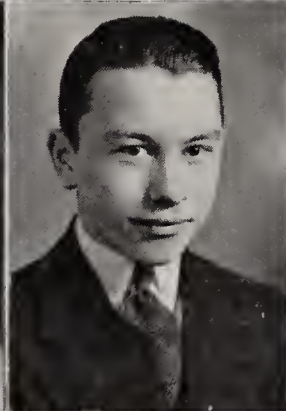


Patricia Stuart

Jack M. Swihart

Georgia Lee Thompson

Don Thorne

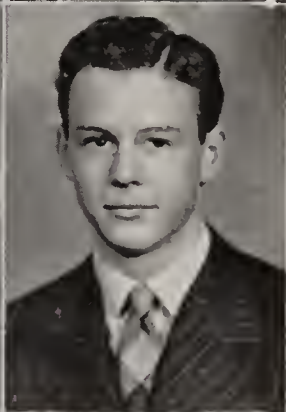
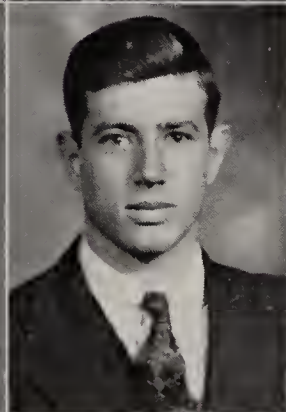
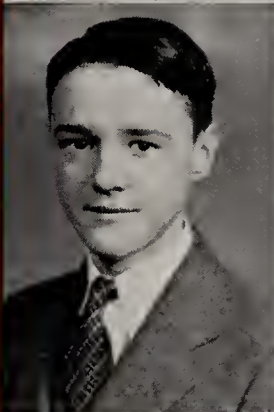


Ralph Edwin Trostel

Lowell Troyer

Glenn Tussey

Robert Vogel



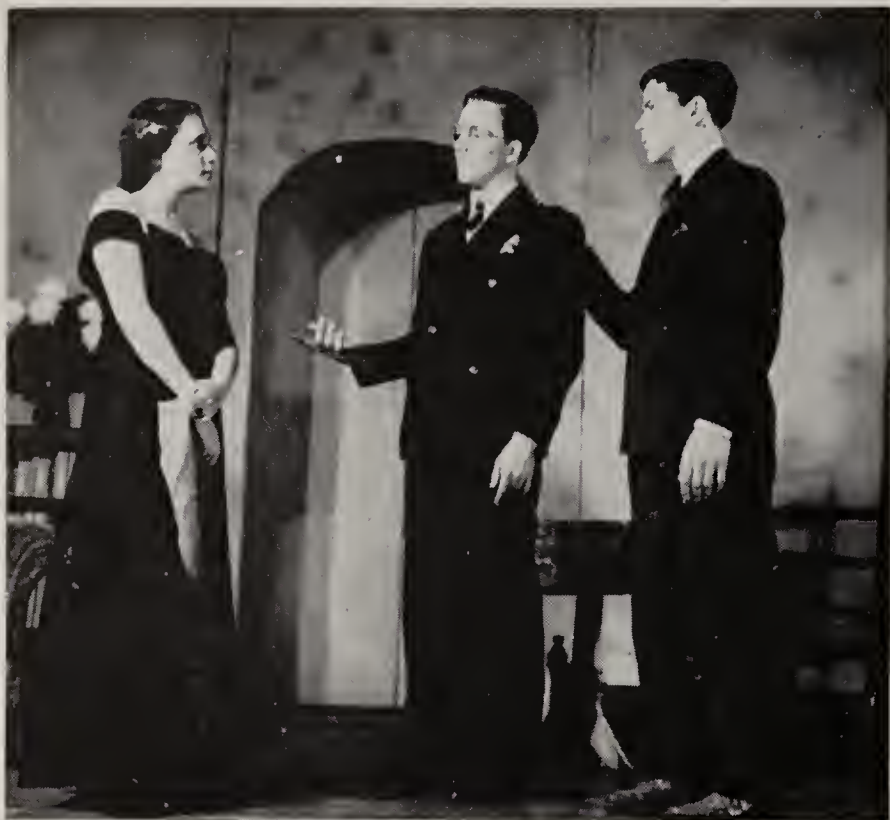
Bette Jeanne Wagner

Edwin Wagoner

John Wallace

Opal Walter





A bit of explanation in "High Principles."

of the annual Cactus Frolic, and then proceeded to make a huge success out of it.

The inevitable class party was held, and called the "Senior Circus." It was the success that only this peppy class could produce; and, as in their two previous years, they quickly put it to the back of their minds in preparation for new and different things. Seniors dominated the football squad, and eight of the ten who smashed their way to the school's first North Central Conference in basketball were member of this class. Dramatics, journalism, golf, track, tennis, the Survey, and every other activity in school had representatives from the class. Their year was one of many successful undertakings, and on May 31 they graduated, proud of their record, plus the distinction of being the largest graduating class in the school's entire history. Here we leave them, but if school records mean anything it would be a good bet to wager that their record in life, collectively as well as individually, will shine forth just as brightly as it has during the past three years.

GARROLD LAVON BEARD—Track; Science Club; Easter Parade. **VERA JEAN CARTER**—Spanish Club; Girl Reserve. **BETTY ELLEN DAWES**—G.A.A.; Easter Parade. **CHARLOTTE EBERLE**—entered from Stockton High, Stockton, California. **HUGH FLEENOR**—Intramural; Easter Parade. **PAUL GILLILAND**—Football; Track; Intramural; entered from Dayton High School, Dayton, Ohio. **MARY MARGARET HENRY**—Girl Reserves; Art Club; Easter Parade 1-2-3; "Meet the Duchess"; Glee Club. **ROBERT KIDWELL**—Easter Parade. **VERNE ROBBINS**—Intramural; Hi-Y; Easter Parade. **CHARLES L. SHOWEN**—Track; Easter Parade; Intramural. **DONALD STANLEY**—Track; Intramural. **JOHN STINNETT**—Intramural. **EMMA PAULINE STRICKLER**—Science Club; Girl Reserves; G.A.A. **WALTER THOMPSON**—Intramural. **CHESTER WALTER**—Hi-Y; Intramural. **RUTH EMMA WATSON**—Girl Reserves. **JOHN RICHARD WEAVER**—Basketball; Football. **JOE WELLS**—Intramural. **REELEY WILEY, Jr.**—Hi-Y; Easter Parade; Spanish Club; Golf. **KATHLEEN WILLIAMS**—Spanish Club; G.A.A.; Girl Reserves; "High Principles"; "Meet The Duchess." **DOROTHEA WILSON**—Girl Reserves; G.A.A.; "Meet The Duchess"; "Young April"; Easter Parade 1-2-3. **HELEN PRISCILLA WILSON**—G.A.A.; Girl Reserves. **JULIA WILSON**—Latin Club; Glee Club; Girl Reserves; Marion Hi Revue; Cactus Staff; Easter Parade. **RALPH L. WILSON**—Art Club; Intramural; Easter Parade; Cactus Frolic; Archery Club; Camera Club; History Club; Marion Hi Revue.

Garrold LaVon Beard

Vera Jean Carter

Betty Ellen Dawes

Charlotte Eberle

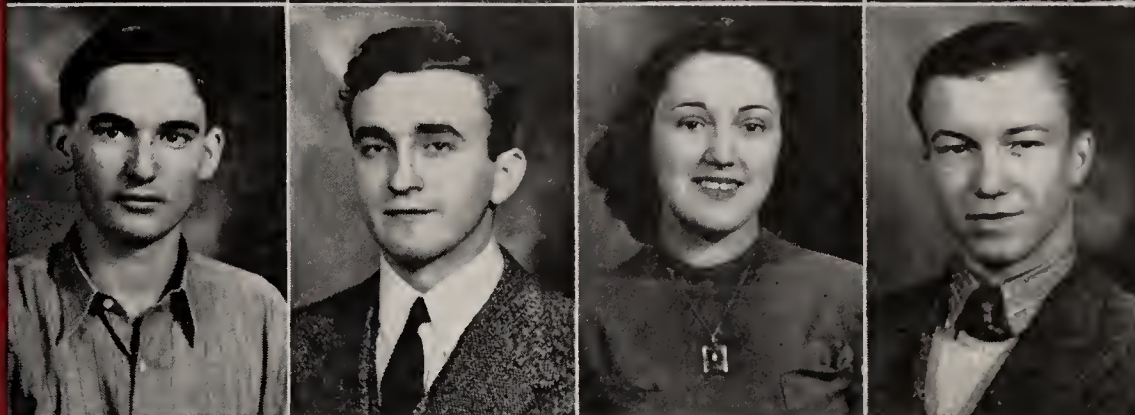


Hugh Fleenor

Paul Gilliland

Mary Margaret Henry

Robert Kidwell

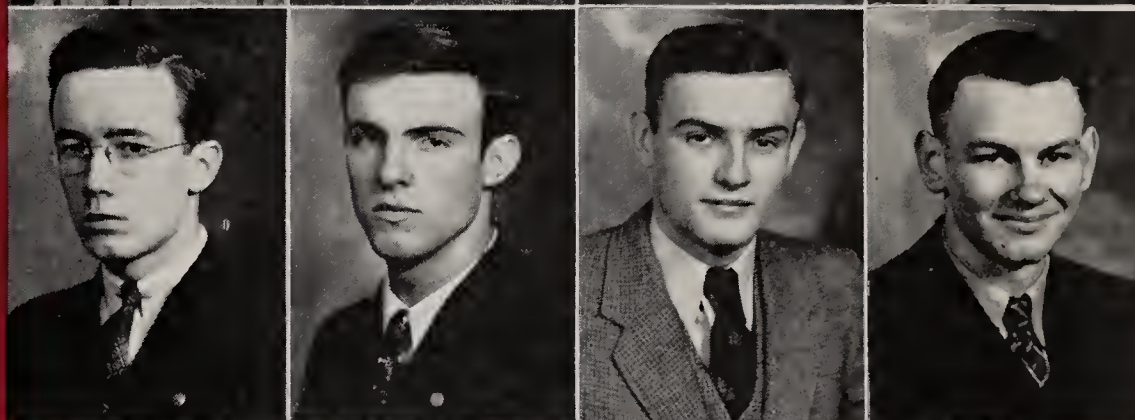


Verne Robbins

Charles L. Showen

Donald L. Stanley

John Stinnett



Emma Pauline Strickler

Walter Thompson

Chester Walter

Ruth Elma Watson

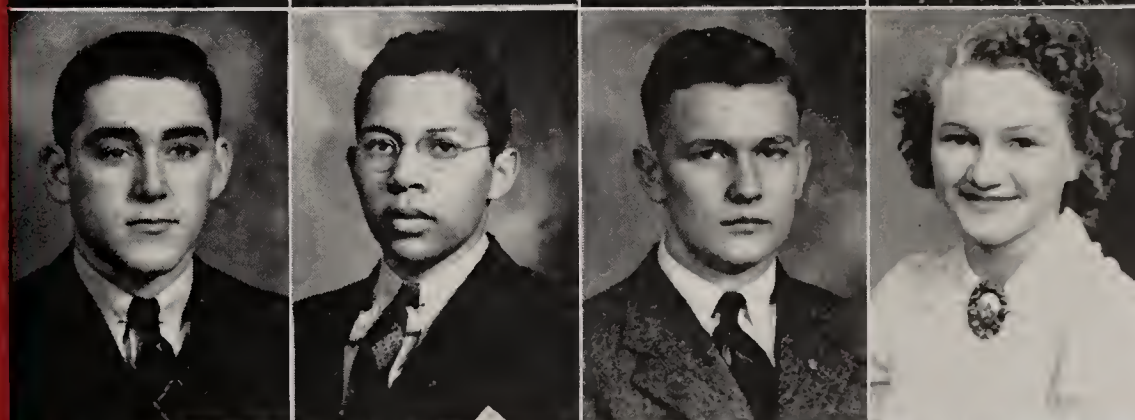


John Richard Weaver

Joe Wells

Reeley Wiley, Jr.

Kathleen Williams



Dorothea Wilson

Helen Priscilla Wilson

Julia Wilson

Ralph L. Wilson





Girl Scouts in Coliseum flag raising ceremony.

Lois Wine

Dale Winslow

Ruthann Wogaman

Nancy Worden

Esther Wright

Maxine Yarber

Dorothy Young

Daniel Allen York

Rosemary York

LOIS WINE—Latin Club; Girl Reserves; Easter Parade Attendant. **DALE WINSLOW**—Hi-Y; Intramural. **RUTHANN WOGAMAN**—Girl Reserves; Latin Club; Survey Staff; Easter Parade 1-3; Marion Hi Revue. **NANCY WORDEN**—Girl Reserves; Easter Parade. **ESTHER WRIGHT**—Latin Club; Spanish Club; Girl Reserves. **MAXINE YARBER**—"Pied Piper"; Girl Reserves; Easter Parade; Glee Club. **DOROTHY YOUNG**—Glee Club; Easter Parade; Girl Reserves; Marion Hi Revue; Art Club. **DANIEL ALLEN YORK**—Intramural. **ROSEMARY YORK**—Associate editor, Cactus; Girl Reserves; Latin Club; Spanish Club; N.S.P.A. delegate; Survey Staff; Easter Parade Attendant; Secretary of Junior Class; Archery Club.



JUNIORS

When school resumed last fall there were a number of refugees from the sophomore class roaming around trying to find out whether they were nobody's or good old juniors. They proved to be a combination of both, but didn't let that detract from the business at hand—their election of class officers. Nominations were opened, then closed and about a week of spirited campaigning followed. Weren't these people juniors now? They had to set a good example for the new sophomores, so they pondered wisely before casting the ballots on election day. The results of the election evidently proved that football players held the upper hand in the class because Bill Husted was chosen as President, while Dick Teegarden filled the vice-presidency. Both are members of the football team. Mary Ellen Walker, as secretary, and Betty Fields, as treasurer, completed the governing quartet.

The class was honored for the first time since 1930 by having a junior, Miss Elaine Downing, selected as a member of the Cactus Board in the capacity of Junior Representative. Her duties were



WILLIAM HUSTED
President



RICHARD TEEGARDEN
Vice-President



MARY ELLEN WALKER
Secretary



BETTY FIELDS
Treasurer

to learn as much as possible about the mechanics of editing, and publishing the yearbook, so that next year when this class becomes the Senior class they will not be as mystified as would be expected.

The customary class party was held in the school gymnasium during the second semester. It was appropriately named the "Snowball Swing." Decorations such as cotton snowmen and snowballs were used nicely to lend an unusual air to the scene. During the evening a novel floorshow was presented,

during which Miss Betty Claxon was crowned as queen of the affair, which proved successful in all respects.

The Junior Prom, which was well-given and well-received in Memorial Coliseum, wound up the year's activities for the Junior class. Next year, when this class shoulders the responsibilities of seniors they will have a big job to do, but if this year's spirit is any indication, the Seniors of 1941 should easily take over the job and do it well.

First Row

Milton Abel
Gaynelle Alderton
Walter Althouse
Norma Andrews
Russell Arthur
Fred Baker

Second Row

Willis Barrett
Mildred Blake
Donna Blanchard
Lois Booher
Lois Bowman
Theda Bowman

Third Row

Kathryn B. B. B.
Ralph Bradford
Betty Brink
Bill Bryan
Wanda Buler
John Caldwell

Fourth Row

Dorothy Canode
Laurel Carmichael
Mary Ellen Carter
Betty Cary
Donna Cassidy
Betty Chenoweth

Fifth Row

Nelle Christman
Betty Ruth Claxon
Marion Cook
Phillip Cox
Richard Craig
Robert Cunningham

Sixth Row

Rex Curfman
Phil Davidson
T. V. Davis
Mary Dillon
Elaine Downing
Henrietta Dumford

Seventh Row

Harvey Dunton
Frederick Dury
Mildred Earnest
Carmen Erwin
Alberta Faunce
Homer Fear



First Row

Martha Fearney
Julia Femyer
Betty Jean Fields
Claude Fisher
Mary Florea
Katherine Fogleson

Second Row

Patty France
Francis Fry
Bob Galligan
Rebecca Gallion
Helen Gause
Virginia George

Third Row

Frank Gillespie
Keith Gillespie
Lois Gipson
Phyllis Gipson
Arthur Graven
Ruth Guthrie

Fourth Row

Doris Hall
Helen Hamilton
Earl Harrell
Dorthea Hartson
Jack Haupt
Joe Hawkins

Fifth Row

Ronald Havilin
Ardith Heller
Ruth Hendricks
Mary Ellen Hennigin
Delores Herkomer
Jay Herkomer

Sixth Row

Frances Herring
Phil Hillsamer
Robert Hoey
Betty Hollingsworth
Donna Hoppes
Robert Houston

Seventh Row

Betty Lee Howard
Betty Hulce
Jack Hummel
Donald Hurley
William Husted
Bill Hutcheson

First Row

Robert Jeffrey
Robert Johnson
Mary Margaret Jones
Phoebe Ann Jones
Ludaweka Kahlenbeck
Doris Keene

Second Row

Charles Keith
Ruth Kennedy
Dierdra Kimball
Dale Kisling
Phil Klaus
Betty Knee

Third Row

Betty Knipole
Lola Love
Earl Linder
William L. Linder
Genevieve Lee
Ralph Linder

Fourth Row

Barbara Long
Irene Long
Lavonne Love
Patsy Lucas
Patsy Marston
Marilyn Mathews

Fifth Row

Patricia McAtee
Maynard McConn
William McCoy
Robert McDonald
Ruth McMullen
Mary Medlen

Sixth Row

Betty Merrill
Mary Middleton
Bill Milford
Charles Miller
Miriam Miller
Don Mills

Seventh Row

Joanna Motsinger
Mila Munson
Elaine Murphy
Jack Murrell
David Musser
Bonnie Myers



Seventh Row

Patty Lou Sisson
Nancy Sloop
Merritt Smalley
John Smaltz
Dorothy Smith
Verl Smith, Jr.

First Row

Erma Neeley
Iva Nightenhelser
Marjorie Norman
Charles Norton
Ray Oradat
John Osborn

Second Row

Leon Palmer
Betty Parker
Vernon Parks
Leo Parson
Frank Patton
Eugene Pennington

Third Row

Mary Peter
Donna Pierce
Harold Prows
Jane Pulley
Donald Ratliff
Margaret Reed

Fourth Row

Robert Reith
Dean Renbarger
Eugene Richards
Alberta Ridge
Betty Rinehart
Joan Robinson

Fifth Row

Phyllis Sisson
Marjorie Sloop
Norma Sloop
Maxine Sloop
Maxine Sloop
Anna Sloop

Sixth Row

George Sharp
Idona Shepherd
Norma Shockey
Marjorie Shroll
Ruth Ann Shugart
Mary Frances Siebold

First Row

Mary Snow
John Stenger
Margaret Stenger
Louise Stiefler
Robert Stover
Robert Strain

Second Row

Barbara Swaney
Dick Teegarden
Francile Thomas
Cloyd Thompson
Maxine Thorne
Helen Vanlandingham

Third Row

Marjorie Vey
Mary Ellen Walker
Marcille Warhall
Mary Ward
James Watson
Jean Ruth Well

Fourth Row

Betty Weller
Eugene Wert
Betty Wesco
Arnold Wilkins
Robert Williams
Elizabeth Wilson

Fifth Row

Tillie May Wilson
Betty Winslow
Berdenna White
Frances White
Harriett White
Betty Wiley

Sixth Row

Pat Wimmer
Earl Winters, Jr.
Joan Wintz
Dick Wolf
J. R. Woodring
Robert Worrell

Seventh Row

Helen Worrell
Kathleen Myers
Robert Wysong
Robert Strain
Olen York
Doris Zimmerman



MERRELL COFFIN
President



MAUD SCHERER
Vice-President



PATRICIA CAMP
Co-Secretaries



REBECCA GALLION
Co-Secretaries



PEGGY GOEBEL
Treasurer

SOPHOMORES

The sophomore class in any high school in which there are only three years represented is always the easiest class to write about, simply because year after year they enter school just fresh from junior high school, and in their somewhat naive way they always act just as the previous class acted. This year was no exception.

The sophomores came to school in September, entered, looked in awe about them, and then slowly—very slowly started to search for the registration office hoping that they wouldn't have the luck to find it. Having been assigned lockers, and scrutinized thoroughly by the few seniors loafing in the halls near faithful, old Abe Lincoln, they left to ponder the fateful Monday designated as the opening day of the school year. Monday came quickly for them, and they were swallowed in a seething mass of humanity within these strange new walls.

This year's sophomore class ran true to form. They stared blankly into space with mouths agape when informed that an elevator was actually housed in the building; they listened attentively to every word uttered from the speaker's platform in the auditorium which seemed so strange to them; they wandered dazedly about seeking room numbers on the wrong floors and opposite sides of the building. Yes, they were sophomores—definitely.

They gradually became accustomed to life here in school, and before the year was half finished they were very much at home.

The Sophomore Class elected their officers for the year just as soon as they had learned the procedure by watching the elec-

tions held by the Juniors and Seniors. The officers were: Merrel Coffin, president; Maud Scherer, vice-president; Peggy Goebel, treasurer; and a tie resulted in Rebecca Gallion and Patricia Camp acting as co-secretaries.

The outstanding sophomore event of the year was their class party. After being buffeted around somewhat in trying to secure a date for the big event, they finally landed April second, and proceeded to name their party the "Foolish Fiesta." April Fool's day was the theme which was carried out in the attractive decorations.

Assisting the sophomore class in their active part played in the school year of 1940 were Miss Florence Heck and Miss Marion Breadheft, class sponsors.



Scene at Sophs' "Foolish Fiesta".

First Row

Daisy Adams
Charles Alber
Betty Alter
Eula Anderson
James Anderson
Betty Arthur

Second Row

Joan Bailey
Donald Baker
Juanita Ballard
Barbara Banter
Evelyn Barrett
Virginia Baxter

Third Row

Barbara Bedwell
Doris Beelman
Bettie Bender
Robert B. Bore
Jack Bryan
Bill Beyer

Fourth Row

Robert Bibler
Robert Billheimer
Marvin Bishop
Rosaline Blackburn
Harold Blue
Melvin Blue

Fifth Row

Freda Bolen
Charlotte Bonham
Ralph Boyd
David Bradford
Margaret Bright
Allen Brumfiel

Sixth Row

Lynn Buchanan
Genevieve Burdg.
Alberta Burditt
Robert Burke
Barbara Burnside
Donna Buroker

Seventh Row

Junior Byington
Norma Lou Cain
Patricia Camp
Allie Ruth Carey
Joanne Cary
Ferris Carmichael



First Row

Louis Carr
Betty Kathern Carter
Edmund Casey
Cloie Caudill
Margaret Coates
June Colin

Second Row

Merrell Coffin
Donna Coffman
Betty Jane Cooper
Leah Cotton
Georgia Sue Cowen
Esther Cox

Third Row

Mary Cox
Verlie Craig
Thelma Cultice
James Davis
Mary Ann Davis
Naomi Davis

Fourth Row

Frank Dessing
Lester Detrick
Margaret Dick
Josephine Dixon
Melvin Dooley
Henry Drake

Fifth Row

Everett DuBoque
Ferris D...
Donna ...
Hazel ...
Richard ...
Leatha ...

Sixth Row

Clenna Endsley
Ewan Endsley
Barbara Nell Enyeart
Maxine Fairfield
Don Faulkner
Wilma Fisher

Seventh Row

Vern Forbush
June Fortner
Shirley Fortney
Isabel Freeman
Lois Funderburg
Jeanetta Gilliland

First Row

Rosemary Ginney
Peggy Goebel
Robert Goff
Jane Graham
Maxine Green
Roementia Grossnickle

Second Row

Earl Hamm
Pete Harris
Bob Hart
Agnes Hartwell
Marsena Harvey
Doris Hosier

Third Row

Robert Himrick
Angie Henderson
Barbara Hendey
Kathleen Hennigan
June Hewitt
Betty Hillsmer

Fourth Row

Elizabeth Holmquist
Eugene Hoover
Betty Hoppes
Dick Horton
Norma Jean Howell
Betty Hoyt

Fifth Row

James Hulce
Arbella Jackson
Willidean Jeffrey
Elizabeth Jensen
Crystal Johnson
Wilma Julian

Sixth Row

Marvin Keen
Roberta Kelly
Mary Frances Kennedy
Mercedes Kennedy
Jack Kightlinger
Marjorie King

Seventh Row

Robert Kiser
Bob Knight
William Kugler
Harold Lake
Marietta Landis
Jane Landrum



First Row

Leonard Lasky
 Russell Lavengood
 Agnes Leonard
 Mary Lerch
 Dorothy Liestenfeltz
 Barbara Loomis

Second Row

Phyllis Love
 Doris Lowery
 Barbara Maddox
 Luther Magers
 Alice Malloy
 George Malott

Third Row

Marjorie Marley
 Vivian Marshall
 Mary Jane Masterson
 Walter McAdams
 Jean McClain
 Margaret McGriff

Fourth Row

Joanne McKevitt
 Edgar McMullen
 David Mellendorf
 Bernice Meredith
 June Meredith
 Barbara Merritt

Fifth Row

James Michels
 Martha Miller
 Patsy Miller
 Russell Miller
 Donna Mullins
 Veeda Murphy

Seventh Row

Robert Oradat
 Ruth Ann Pape
 Everett Parks
 Lester Percy
 John Peterson
 Burr Pettiford

Sixth Row

Letty Ann Murray
 Billy Myers
 Ellen Newcomer
 William Oatess
 Marjorie Ogden
 Mary Ordat

First Row

Joe Pfeiffer
Max Pierce
Bob Piggott
Melvin Pinkerton
Willadean Powell
Mary Jane Prickett

Second Row

Joan Priser
Richard Pryor
James Pugh
Erma Rader
Jane Randolph
Robert A. Reed

Third Row

George Rietts
Bill Riggs
Marvin Rinjarson
Parley Roper
Jacqueline Runyon
Marjorie Savage

Fourth Row

Margaret Scheerer
Maude Scherer
Alice Scott
Elbrage Scott
Will Scott
Elizabeth Sell

Fifth Row

Jimmie Seybold
David Shelley
Jean Shelton
Margaret Shimkus
Jack Silver
Mary Sims

Sixth Row

Max Sloan
Robert Sloderbeck
Bonnie Smelser
Carmel Smith
Hal Smith
Marigene Smith

Seventh Row

Ruth Smith
Tom Smith
Wendell Smith
Wanda Southgate
Mary Ann Sparks
Marcella Spaulding



First Row

Elnora Speece
Betty Lou Sprecher
Audrey Sprinkle
Elizabeth Stephens
James Stewart
Delbert Stinnett

Second Row

Kathryn Stone
Eunice Mae Stover
Mary Jane Stover
Arthelia Street
Mary Ellen Swaney
Mary Lou Sweet

Third Row

Maxine Swihart
Ernest Terhune
Ernestine Terhune
Leola Thomas
George Thompson
Lee Thorne

Fourth Row

Phillip Trostel
William Tudor
James Turner
Karl Vaughn
Merlene Vermilion
Roy Vogel

Fifth Row

Norma Lee Vossler
William Wagner
John Walters
Irene Warner
Fred Watson
John Weller

Seventh Row

Betty Wilson
Jean Wilson
Floyd Wilson
Mary Eleanor Witmer
Merrill Wysong
Josephine Yarger
Jeanne Young

Sixth Row

Margaret Wert
Norman West
Dorrice White
Charles Wiley
Lee Wiley
Bill Williamson



FESTIVALS





Dwight Hutcheson

Olaf "Jerry" Naugle

Ronald Jacobson

FOOTBALL

Coach O. C. "Jerry" Naugle went through spring training and the football camp session at Camp Tecumseh in August confident, along with his husky charges, that the 1939 football squad would prove to be one of the best in the history of Marion High School, and also one of the top-notch teams in the state. Why shouldn't they look with confidence and bright hopes for the future after graduation of the previous year had left a squad of nine lettermen? Two complete teams of almost equal strength and ability were available. No one hesi-

tated to predict a banner year for the gridiron warriors of Marion High. After seeing them pound the turf in impressive preseason drills.

What happened during the season that followed was a series of amazing form-reversals and heart-breaking losses. The team clicked beautifully for three overwhelming wins, but the joy of those wins was blotted out by the loss of the six other games on their stiff nine-game schedule. In only one or two instances were the Giants outplayed in a game, but they lost, nevertheless. A glance at the statistical records easily proves this. A notable instance of heart-break and disappointment was the Kokomo game. After being scored upon early, the Giants smashed their way to two quick touchdowns and led until the last minutes of the fourth quarter when a late Kokomo rally caught the second-string off guard, and won the game.

The "B" team played a tough schedule of similar teams, coming through undefeated, which speaks well for next year's team; however you can bet that you'll hear nothing in advance this time. Assistant Coach Dwight Hutcheson, formerly a Ball State star, was valuable assistance to Head Coach Naugle, as was Assistant Coach Ronald Jacobson, who handled the very successful "B" team in their undefeated season of play.

Student Managers



Lyle McMullen

Billy Milford

Joe McAfee

BIG GIANTS



Top Row—Landis, Owen, Faulkner, Husted, Palmer, Naugle (Coach).
 Second Row—McAfee (Manager), Weaver, Gilmore, R. Keith, Hamaker, Hutcheson (Assistant Coach).
 Third Row—Pattison, Mooney, Gipson, Bevan, C. Keith, Mathias.
 Bottom Row—Price, Wolf, Shaffer, Folkerth, Davidson, Dold.

LITTLE GIANTS



Top Row—Jacobson (Coach), Pfeiffer, Teegarden, Smith, Hillsamer, Kightlinger.
 Second Row—Haupt, Hawkins, Passwater, Stover, Powers, Strain, Milford (Manager).
 Third Row—Cox, Keene, Watson, Magers, Winters, Lasky.
 Bottom Row—Mellendorf, Tann, Taylor, Corn, Mills, Beard.

MARION 0 CATHEDRAL 12

The Giants opened the season against the speedy Cathedral of Indianapolis eleven, and dropped the opener 12-0. The Catholic boys, paced by Gerlach, half back, opened with a passing attack that the Giants could not check. Later in the game Cathedral got off a bad punt which the Giants recovered on the Cathedral twelve, but they were unable to push it over from there.

MARION 12 KOKOMO 20

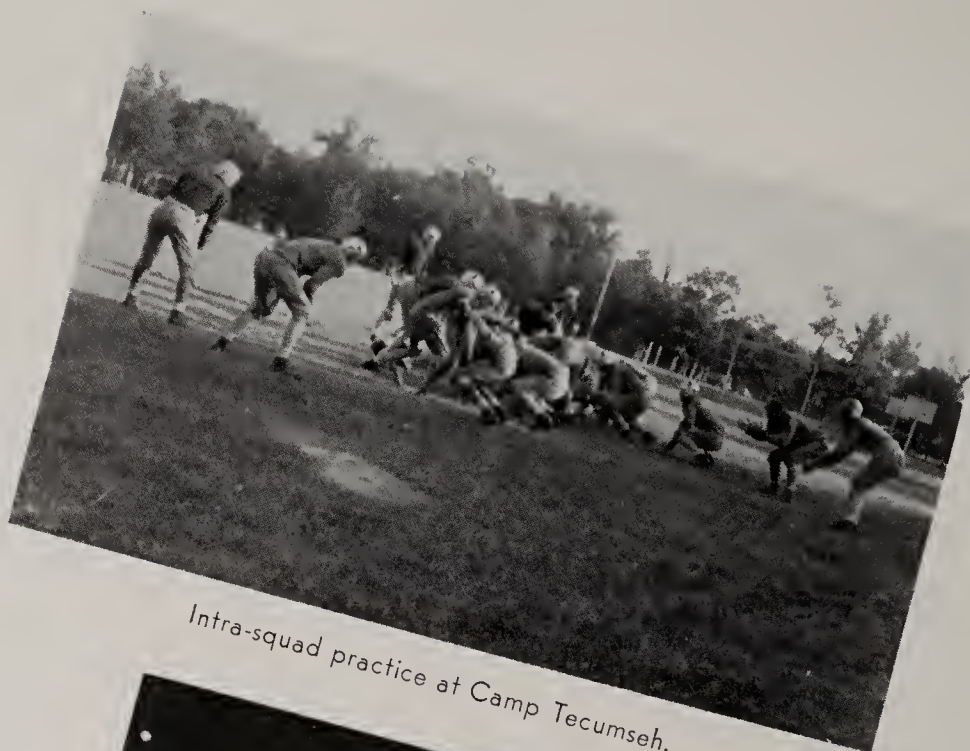
The Giants, playing in sweltering heat near the 100° mark, dropped the second tilt to the Wildcats. Waldron, Wildcat back, started the scoring with a seventy-five yard dash for the first points of the game. In the second quarter Owen caught a pass from Landis and charged down the field for Marion's first tally. Landis also ripped through the Wildcat line and dodged his way to the goal line. Van Cleast was Marion's worth headache. He charged through the Marion line for two counters.

MARION 46 KIRKLIN 0

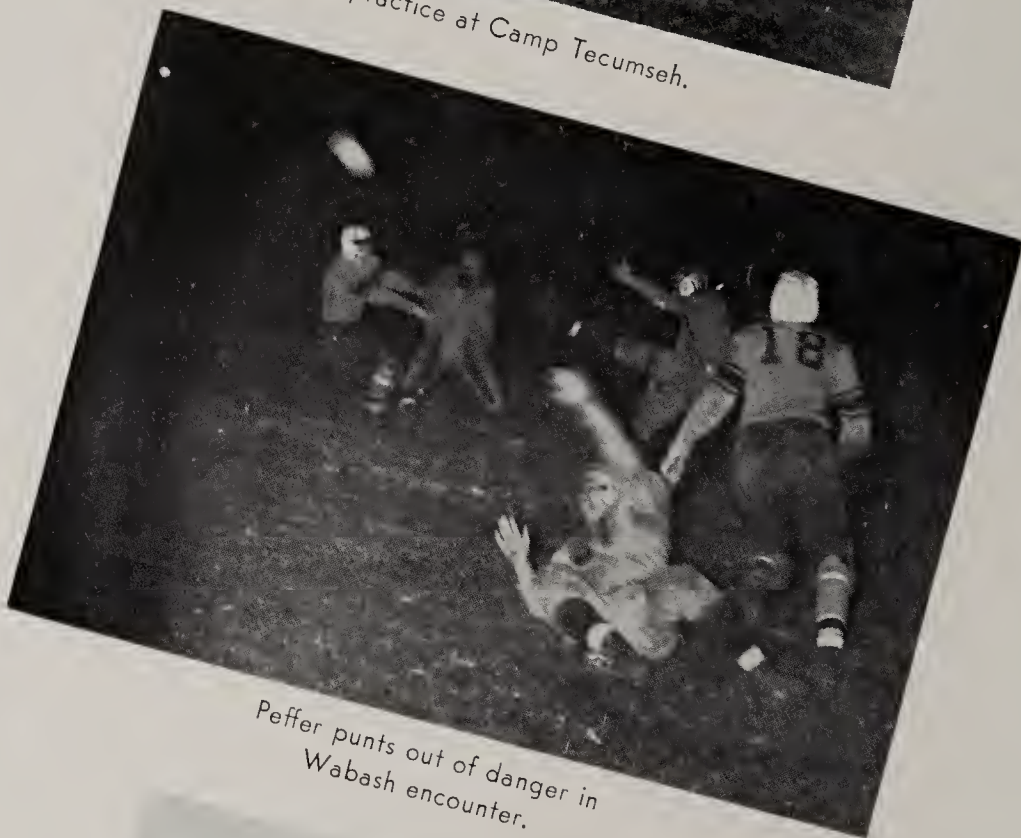
The victory hungry Giants opened a touchdown blast that bowled the guest eleven over. Scoring three touchdowns in the first half, they opened up and cinched the game with four more the second half. Big Ed Faulkner flashed across the goal line five times but two were called back because of off side penalties. Landis plowed across the goal for two counters. Peffer was credited with a freak touchdown in the third when he picked up a Kirklin fumble and ran unmolested twenty-five yards to the goal line. Passwater wound up the scoring spree with a plunge over the line in the closing minutes. The Giants made twenty-three first downs while Kirklin could not manage to gain the required yardage for one.

MARION 22 ELWOOD 0

The Giants opened up in the first three minutes of play when big Ed Faulkner sprinted down the sidelines for the first counter of the game. Landis kicked a perfectly timed extra point. The Giants tried a field goal from the Panther eight, but the ball went wide of the cross bars. Again the Giants attempted and the ball made the cross bars by inches. The Panthers then gained possession of the ball, but on a short pass Mathias, crafty Marion back, dashed thirty-two yards down the sidelines



Intra-squad practice at Camp Tecumseh.



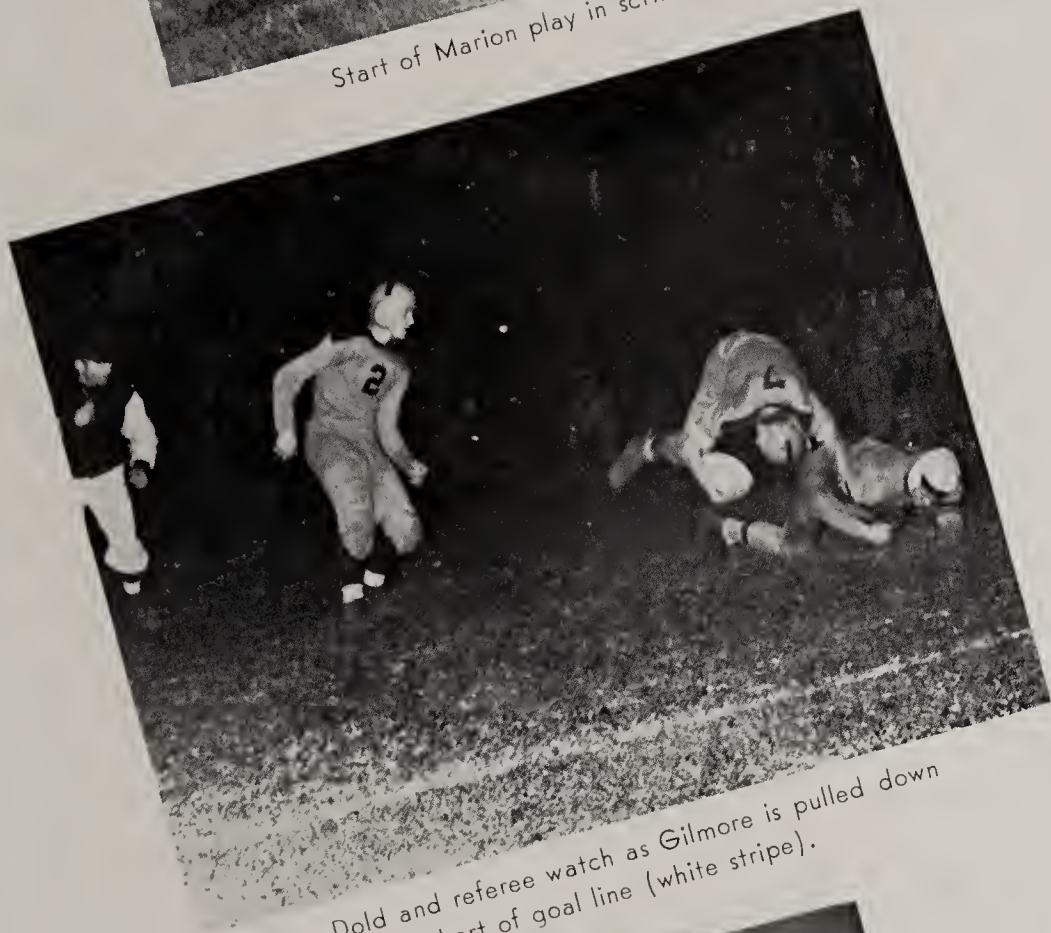
Peffer punts out of danger in Wabash encounter.



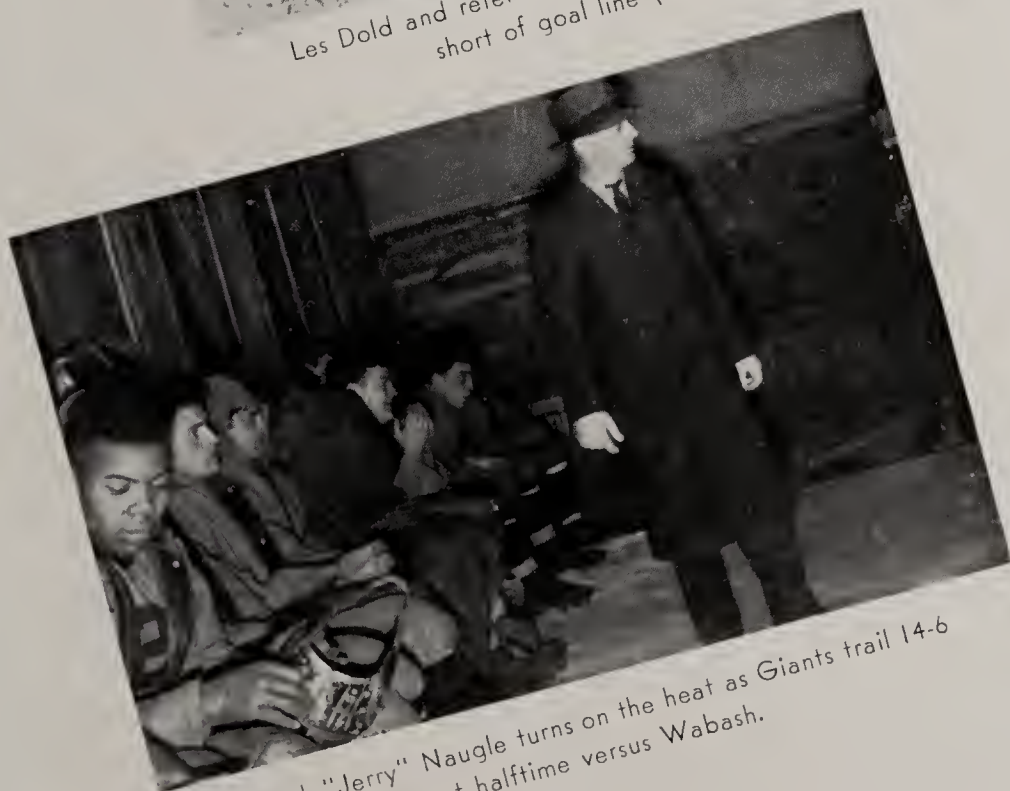
Giants engage in scrimmage at Camp Tecumseh.



Start of Marion play in scrimmage at camp.



Les Dold and referee watch as Gilmore is pulled down short of goal line (white stripe).



Coach "Jerry" Naugle turns on the heat as Giants trail 14-6 at halftime versus Wabash.

for the second smashing touchdown. Then Ed Faulkner added the final points with a spectacular run for the last touchdown of the game.

MARION 6 HUNTINGTON 12

The fast charging Vikings started the game with an aerial attack that netted them two touchdowns in the first seven minutes of play. The Giants made their lone tally in the fourth quarter with a pass from Landis to Weaver. The Giants were jittery throughout the game.

MARION 7 MUNCIE 20

Marion's aspiring Giants, still trying for their first conference victory, bowed to Muncie's Bearcats. Thresher and Evans, fleet-winged backs for the Bearcats, proved to be too tough for the Giants each contributing seven points. Faulkner and Landis proved to be the Giants' stalwarts, the latter throwing to Owen for the touchdown and also converting.

MARION 7 NEW CASTLE 21

The Marion Giants' visit to the Trojan city proved fruitless. Early in the second period the Trojans commenced their scoring. Marion's score came in the third quarter when Pepper, Giant lineman, blocked a punt, which was recovered on the Trojan twenty-three. Two plays later, Palmer, junior half, shot a pass to "Beep" Gilmore in the end zone. Bevan converted.

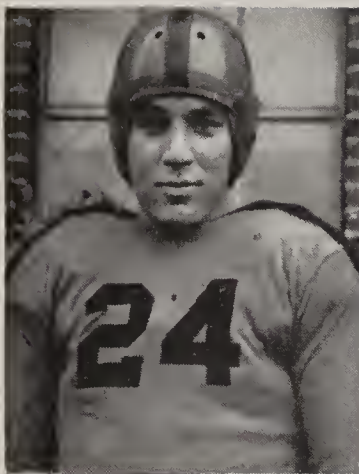
MARION 26 LOGANSPOUT 0

Marion's Giants, still feeling the sting of their other defeats, trounced the Logansport Berries with the qualities of a championship team. The big guns in the scoring were "Beep" Gilmore, stalwart end, and "Big Ed" Faulkner, plunging full back, each scoring two touchdowns. The Berries, in the closing minutes of the game, proceeded to take the ball to the Giants one-half yard line, where three tries proved unsuccessful.

MARION 12 WABASH 14

Little Pete Rish of Wabash proved the undoing of the Giants in the season's final. Scoring twice in the first period on beautiful twisting runs he put the Apaches into a 14-0 lead. The Giants would not give up though, and scored on line plunges in the second quarter. They were on the six yard line with a first down when the half ended. Marion scored again in the last half but their failure to make the two points after their touchdowns cost them the game.

VARSITY



CHARLES KEITH



BOB PRICE



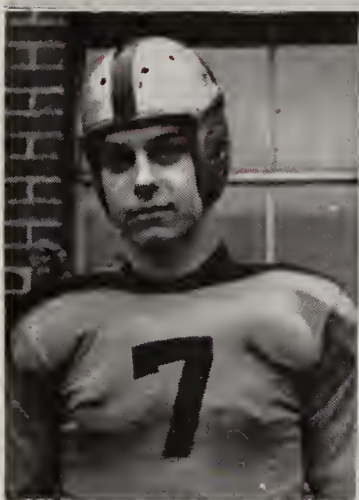
PAT PATTISON



DICK WOLF



JACK BEVAN



ALLEN GILMORE



VIEW OF CABINS OF GIANTS—CAMP TECUMSEH



RICK WEAVER



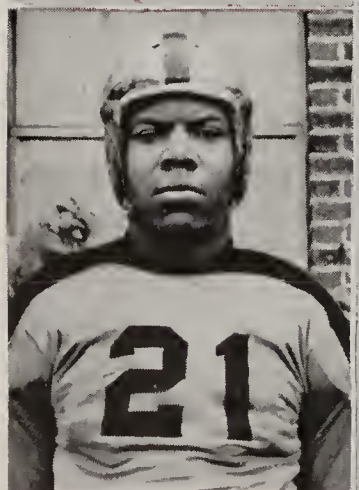
THERON OWEN



PROSPECTIVE VARSITY AT CAMP TECUMSEH



BOBBY LANDIS



EDGAR FAULKNER



THE CROWD SHIVERS AT A HOME GAME

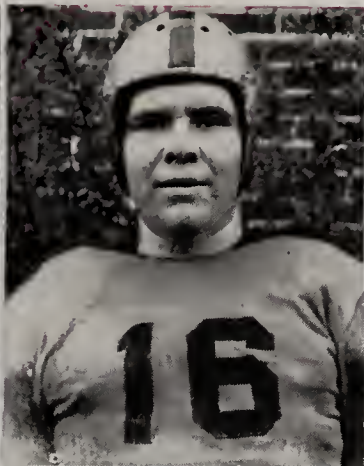


LESLIE DOLD

GRIDDEERS



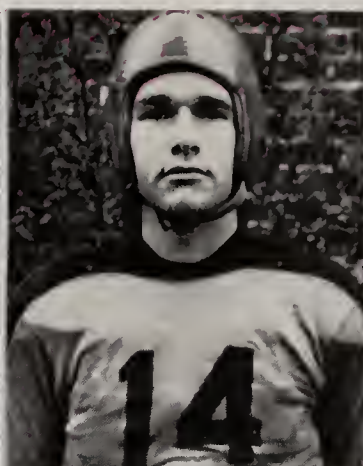
ROBERT HAMAKER



ROLAND SHAFFER



PHIL MOONEY



PAUL DAVIDSON



RONALD GIPSON



WAYNE FOLKERTH



TOO WARM FOR MANY CLOTHES



ROBERT KEITH



JACK PEFFER



SCRIMMAGE DRILLS AT CAMP TECUMSEH



ELESTER MATHIAS



BILLY HUSTED



BEFORE THEIR PLANS WENT AWRY



LEON PALMER

BASKETBALL



ORVILLE J. HOOKER
Coach

Mr. Orville J. Hooker began his duties at Marion on September 1, 1934. His coming to Marion from New Castle, where his Trojans of 1932 won the coveted State Championship, was probably the best thing that has ever happened to the Athletic Department of Marion High School.

With the opening of the 1939-40 basketball season this same Coach Hooker found himself face to face with 8 lettermen who were all Seniors, and who wanted to end their high school hardwood careers in a blaze of glory. These boys looked like the best prospects he had ever had in his five previous years of coaching at Marion High.

At the halfway mark in the season the Giants carried a record of six wins and four losses, but on January fifth the Giants started out the New Year by winning from the vaunted Muncie Bearcats in a convincing manner. What followed is something that caused every team in the state to speak in awe about the might of the Marion Giants. They won fifteen consecutive games over the toughest teams in the state. Their string of victories includes: Muncie, Frankfort's State Champs of 1939, Richmond, New Castle, Hammond, Jeff of La-

Fayette, Tipton, Tech of Indianapolis, Wabash, Muncie (again), and Central of Fort Wayne.

During this fifteen-game rampage of winning the Giants sewed up the North Central Conference crown. Their closest competitor for the title was so far behind that the Giants could have dropped their last two conference games and still have tied for the championship—which they didn't. They preferred to own the undisputed title, and share it with no one.

The Giants entered the Sectional Tournament with an eleven game winning streak but because Gas City had finished their twenty-game schedule undefeated they were heavily backed by all but the Marion fans to upset the Giants if the two teams tangled in the tournament. They tangled—but the Gas City Tigers' claws proved too dull to stop the steamroller Giants, who won the game and their thirteenth straight Sectional crown easily.

Came the Regional. Fifty-five hundred rabid fans jammed the Coliseum in the afternoon to watch Marion down Sheridan, their Waterloo of 1938, by an overwhelming score. Kokomo then trounced North Manchester, and the "game of the century" was to be played that night.

Just as in all important contests the fans were hysterical, the lead sawed back and forth from one opponent to the other until the final crack of the timer's gun. Marion lost a close decision and Kokomo had defeated Marion for the third time in one season. Kokomo then advanced to the semi-finals at Muncie where they lost in their first game to New Castle, a team that Marion had easily defeated by eleven point margins in two different clashes during the season.

The entire record of wins and losses, including tournament play, is twenty victories and five defeats during the 1939-40 season.

Student Managers



Billy Milford and Keith Gillespie watch the Giants in action



RICK WEAVER



BILL FOWLER



ALLEN GILMORE



THERON OWEN

CAPTAIN
BOBBY VOGEL





Top Row—Weaver, Fowler, Jeffrey.

Bottom Row—Landis, Dold, Beyler, Vogel (Capt.), Bevan, Owen, Gilmore.

THE SEASON'S RECORD

Marion	Opponents		
Central (Catholic) Ft. Wayne.....27	36	Frankfort.....32	26
Wabash.....36	18	Richmond.....24	14
Anderson.....27	24	New Castle.....35	24
Logansport.....21	23	Hammond.....46	35
Kokomo.....25	27	Jeff of Lafayette.....44	27
Anderson.....39	24	Tipton (overtime).....31	30
New Castle.....43	32	Tech of Indianapolis.....29	28
Kokomo.....27	21	Wabash.....31	14
Muncie.....33	28	Muncie (Central).....29	20
		Central of Ft. Wayne.....38	33

SCORING LEADERS FOR THE 1939-1940 SEASON

Richard Weaver.....172 points	Robert Vogel.....115 points
William Fowler.....165 points	Allen Gilmore.....98 points



ARTHUR BEYLER



ROBERT LANDIS



ROBERT JEFFREY



JACK BEVAN

LESLIE
DOLD





A fighting ball club with backing like this gave Marion its first N.C.C. crown.



The Giants wait for the "limited" to whisk them to the den of the Richmond Red Devils.

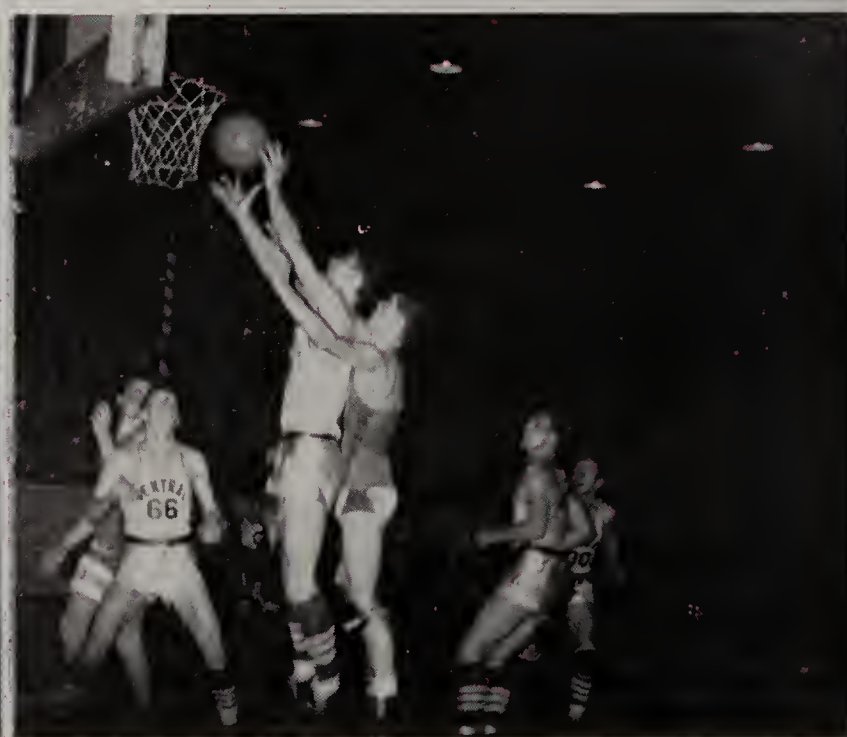


The "limited" arrives 'midst the swirl of steam and coal dust.

Jump ball in the third quarter of the Marion-Central of Fort Wayne game.



Dold rides "piggy back" in an attempt to prevent a score by Fort Wayne Central.





Richmond takes a rebound as Fowler, Weaver, Vogel and Owen close in on them.



Owen, surrounded by Central of Fort Wayne players, scores.



Coaches Hooker and Jacobson set a fine example of trainboard etiquette.



The boys wave "bye-bye" as they leave to trounce the Red Devils.

Fancy passing during the Richmond game.



Two playful opponents maul Bill Fowler as he attempts his favorite shot.



TRACK

The first robin not only announced the advent of spring but also the arrival of a sport which al-



RONALD JACOBSON
Track Coach

though considered minor has attained a high place in the sports annals of M H. S.—Track.

The track team this year has been taken from under the protective wing of that able track pilot, Jerry Naugle, to be placed within the sphere of an equally competent track mentor—namely Ronald Jacobson. This change was made so that it might be possible for Coach Naugle to devote his full

time to the supervising of spring football drill. Due to the inclement weather the team was forced to retreat from the outside practice track to the shelter of the coliseum for their conditioning exercises. For the purpose of giving the team their first taste of competition an inter-class track meet was organized from the Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors who were members of the team. The seniors romped away with an easy victory, owing to the fact that the cream of the track team was composed of seniors. Shortly after this taste of competitive action the squad plunged into their first engagement of the season—a triangular meet at Ft. Wayne with the powerful South Side and Goshen aggregations. The loss of this, their first encounter, was not sadly felt because of the insufficient training preceding the opening of their schedule; however, they soon caught hold of themselves and proved their worth by winning the county track meet, and having one member of the team—Robert Vogel—set a new county record for the half mile run. Following the county tussle the team dropped a tough engagement to the powerful Anderson bunch which was rather a shock after their brilliant showing in the county encounter of the preceding week.

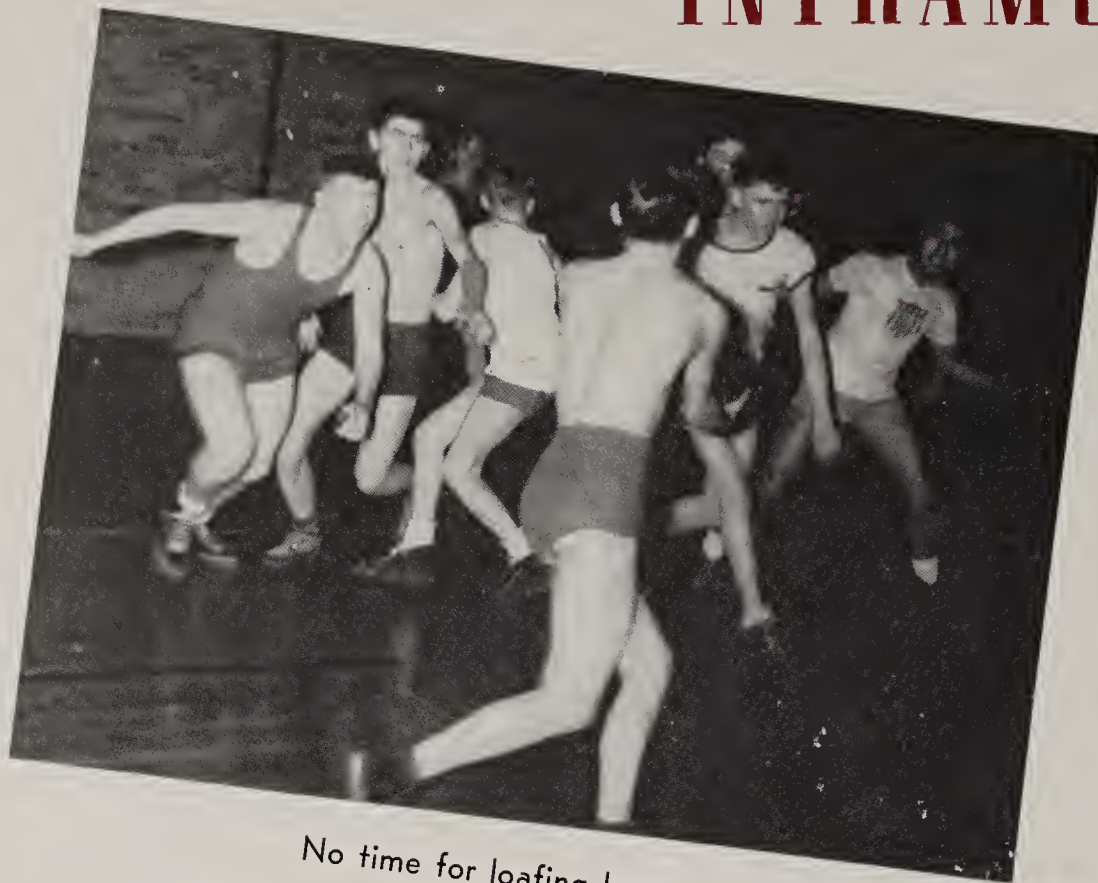
At this writing several more track meets are on tap for the Giant crew before eliminations start for the state meet at Indianapolis. Marion High school was appointed as a sectional site this year. Muncie held this honor last year. Winners of the first two places in each event of the sectional are eligible for state competition at Indianapolis.



Top Row—Johnson, Gulliford, Goff, Smalley, McMullen, Lake, Surber, Stenger, Stewart, Watson, Crouse, Beyler, E. Fortney, (Student Manager).
Second Row—Fearney, Showen, Stanley, Yeakle, Hulce, Wallace, Hunt, Hill, M. Fortney, Wysong, McLarty, Baker (Student Manager).
Third Row—Gilmore, Benjamin, Pruden, Samuels, Simmons, R. Camblin, A. Perkins, P. Perkins, Billheimer, B. Vogel, Colbert, Shannon.
Bottom Row—Galligan (Student Manager) Hawkins, R. Vogel, Detamore, Casey, Weesner, Kiser, Corn, Pryor, Tann, Mellendorf, Hoey, Taylor.



INTRAMURAL



No time for loafing here.

For the boys in Marion High School who like basketball, but who are not quite skilled enough to make the varsity team, intramural basketball is the popular way to play the game. The growing popularity of the intramural league is attested by the turnout of one hundred twenty-five boys this season. All of this number participated, either as players, referees, scorers or timers.

In a sport such as this, it is almost always necessary to divide the boys evenly according to their size. Mr. Olaf "Jerry" Naugle, director, thus divided the boys into two leagues. The larger boys were placed in the Big Eight and the smaller ones in the Little Seven. The Big Eight consisted of the Indians, Jack Pfeffer, captain; Bearcats, Dick Horton, captain; Trojans, Paul Gilliland, captain; Wildcats, Gaynelle Simmons, captain; Berries, Millard Fortney, captain; Giants, Edwin Pettiford, captain; Broncos, Junior Winters, captain; and Red Devils, Bob Stover, captain. The Little Seven teams and their respective captains were: Anderson, Roy Vogel; Muncie, Robert Galligan; New Castle, Wilfred Scott; Kokomo, R. McDonald; Logansport, Earl Har-

rell; Marion, Glen McPherson; and Lafayette, Eugene Richards.

This year the Big Eight was championed by the Berries, and the Little Seven by Anderson.

Earl Harrell, captain of Logansport received the trophy as most valuable player in the league, while Gaynelle Simmons, captain of the Wildcats, received the trophy for being voted the player with the best mental attitude.

Referees were: Phill Perkins, Robert Keith, George Liddick, and Ralph Wilson. Timers and scorers were: James McKown, Charl Ferguson, and George Overman.



LITTLE SEVEN CHAMPS

Back Row—Lines, Walter, Ropp.
Front Row—Parks, Stewart, Vogel, Earhart, Pugh.



BIG EIGHT CHAMPS

Back Row—Naugle, director, Wickham, Parks.
Front Row—Showen, McCoy, M. Fortney, Hoey.

G. A. A.

The Girls' Athletic Association was formed in Marion High School in 1939 under the capable and efficient direction of Mrs. Agnes Kridel, girls' athletic director.

The officers chosen for this year were: Norma Shockey, president; Patricia McAtee, vice-president; Eva Marie Stout, secretary; and Kathleen Hennigin, treasurer.

The purpose and aim of this club is to teach the girls to play the game fair and square, to co-operate, to build strong character, to recognize the rules of fairness and honesty, and to promote good sportsmanship at all times.

The activities were divided into three groups: organized, unorganized, and achievement tests. Many interesting tournaments were held during the various seasons of the year.

Early in the fall term the club organized and started their activities, the first of which was a hike. Club members enjoyed a trip to Matter Park where they had a picnic followed by a spirited game of baseball on the park diamond. From October to December, the girls enjoyed a very popular soccer baseball tournament. In the tournament were four teams; namely, Wabash, Anderson, Kokomo and Muncie. The Anderson team proved superior by winning the tournament held in December.



Top Row—McGriff, Frances, Hennigin, Sweet, Stover, Gilliland, Williams, Prickett, Neeley, Fortner, Bunch, Cotton.
Second Row—Mrs. A. Kridel, sponsor, Yarger, Shroll, Parker, Hennigin, Ellyson, Redmon, McAtee, Shockey, Adams, Inman, Green.
Third Row—Vanlandingham, Bedwell, McRae, P. Gipson, L. Gipson, Gause, Stone, Fisher, E. Wilson, Cox.
Bottom Row—Andrews, Spaulding, Dawes, Smith, Tackett, Caudill, Rudicel, J. Wilson, B. Wilson.

Just before school dismissed for the Christmas vacation the Girls' Athletic Association held a Christmas party at which they ate, played games, and exchanged gifts in the high school cafeteria.

In the volleyball league with four teams entered, Marjorie Schroll's team was victorious over the other three in a competitive tournament.

Basketball was played during the months of February and March. Six teams entered the tournament with Catherine Stone's group winning in the finals.

On April 24 the locks were removed again from the baseball equipment room, and limbering drills were held. The remainder of the school year was devoted to baseball, but no tournament was held in that sport.



TOP GROUP—SOCCER BASEBALL

Top Row—Stone, Green, Hennigin.
Bottom Row—McGriff, Smith, Redmon.

MIDDLE GROUP—BASKETBALL

Top Row—Shroll, Ellyson, Dawes.
Bottom Row—B. Wilson, Stone, J. Wilson.

BOTTOM GROUP—VOLLEY BALL

Top Row—Stone, Parker, France.
Bottom Row—Spaulding, Shroll, Dawes.



Top Row—Davidson, R. Miller, G. Miller, Oradat.
Bottom Row—Snyder, Terwilliger, Keene, Kiley.

GOLF

Golf Coach Walter Tucker lost his first four men through graduation last spring, and, after the large number of candidates had been thinned out this spring, he found himself with a squad of golfers whose number was composed of one senior, two juniors, five sophomores, and one freshman. Out of these eight willing prospects he had only two with any experience whatsoever.

For a pessimistic coach the task of building a team would seem almost impossible, but Walter Tucker is not easily dismayed; therefore he smiled to himself and thought of the future when these boys would be a smooth-stroking team of experienced veterans.

George Miller, younger brother of Dick, last year's individual North Central Conference champion, plus Bill Terwilliger are two slightly experienced players who gave Coach Tucker something to build his team around this year. The squad was increased from the usual six men to eight this year, so that more experienced men would be available in the future.

The schedule is as follows: April 27, at Kokomo, Marion, Technical of Indianapolis, Richmond, and Kokomo; May 3, at home, versus Tipton; May 4, at Indianapolis, the four N. C. C. teams; May 8, at home, versus Anderson; May 11, at home, the annual All-North Central Conference tournament; May 17, at Tipton; May 18, at Speedway, Indianapolis, state high school tournament; May 24, open; May 25, at Richmond, the four N. C. C. teams.

TENNIS

With the opening of the tennis season and the return of three outstanding lettermen of last season, Coach Dwight Hutcheson unloosed his abundant supply of tennis tactics and coaching ability to groom his three returning lettermen and his selection of two of the twenty-five boys who turned out to make their bid to fill the vacancies left by last year's graduating class, to try to surpass the brilliant record made by the '39 aggregation. Although unusually bad weather repeatedly drove them from the practice court, the boys opened their '40 schedule with a smashing 5-0 victory over Kokomo to convince Coach Hutcheson that his time spent and efforts put forth in drilling his charges in timing and precision had not been in vain. If any doubt remained in Coach Hutcheson's mind, it was completely squelched by his team's even more spectacular trouncing of Fairmount's and Wabash's powerful squads to the tune of 7-0 and 5-0.

The six boys who have made the team one of the most outstanding in many seasons include: John Overman, Guy Smith, Gene Goodwin, Ralph Trostel, Jimmy Anderson, and Bill Hutcheson. Overman, Smith, Trostel, Anderson and Goodwin make up the first five. Overman, ace of last year, has again this season proved his tennis ability and worth to the team by his long line of smashing victories.

The team's schedule for this spring included nearly all of the really powerful teams in the north central part of the state. The schedule includes Kokomo, Fairmount, Wabash, Burris of Muncie, Richmond, Central of Muncie, Logansport, New Castle, and Jeff of Lafayette.



Overman volleys to the forehand . . . Kiley tees up . . . George Miller about to drive . . . Hutcheson and Anderson team up in a doubles match . . . Trostel gets set for a backhand attempt.



COACH HUTCHESON



Top Row—Trostel, Overman, Hutcheson, Goodwin.
Bottom Row—Smith, McPherson, manager, Anderson.



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TIME S





Robert Price

EDITOR

THE CACTUS BOARD AND STAFF

The Cactus has, for the past twenty-one years been recognized as the chief source of worry to its editors, and as the chief source of joy to its readers. As far as the editor is concerned, this year is no exception, but how about you readers who are now perusing these pages? Do you like your 1940 Cactus?

Why do we publish the Cactus every year? First, it is the one tangible thing which we can carry away to remember our life in Marion High School; second, it is practically the only means of giving credit to those people who have done outstanding things in their school life; third, it is a practical laboratory in which the students who publish the book learn to recognize and solve some of the problems that will confront them in their later life.

We tried to garner all the information possible at the National Scholastic Press Convention in Chicago last fall. We tried also to profit by the few mistakes that last year's staff made in turning out their All-American book of 1939; however, the rating this book is accorded will not mean as much to those who have worked on this book as will the impression it makes on you, for whom it was expressly published and to whom it was dedicated.

The seniors this year comprise the largest graduating class in the history of Marion High School,

and we are proud to present the first white washable leather cover in the history of the Cactus. Do you like it? The paper covers were made red simply because it is easily seen that to wash them, as it is possible with the leather covers, would be impossible. How does the red color work suit you? We're happy to state that our finances this year were not in that shade of ink.

To sum up, we certainly are not laboring under the illusion that this book is perfect in any way, but we do take pride in the fact that it came out on schedule with a clear budget, and that this was accomplished even with an increase in volume. Did you notice that we increased to one hundred four pages instead of the customary ninety-six?

Your confidence in the editor and his staff was vouchsafed for in that you raised subscriptions to a new high—over seventy-five per cent of the school enrollment.

If anyone feels like congratulating the publishers of this book he should congratulate the sponsors, the staff and the senior class, but all criticisms should be fired at the editor, who told the others what their jobs were. We would like to suggest, though, that you honestly state that you could fill his shoes before "going over him."

Jack Hooker

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THE SURVEY

Filing cabinets, posters on the walls, cuts pasted on the windows, two time-marked desks, a couple of hard hit chairs, two slightly used typewriters, assignment boxes, paper everywhere and a congregation of erstwhile staff members; this constitutes the office of the weekly Marion High School paper, namely, the Survey.

The Survey, pride and headache giver of the editor-in-chief, Annette Slone, makes its appearance to the student body every Friday fifth period, bringing to the hall hunters the activities of their contemporaries. The sports page, edited by Eva Marie Stout, gives information about the doings of our athletes; Phyllis Giltner is responsible for the feature page which provides useful hints and amusement. All current activities around and about the school are printed elsewhere along with the Curtain Call, which gives the case history of the school notables, and the Corridor Man which just gives.

The Survey began making history twenty-seven years ago and has been under the direct supervision of B. H. Penrod for twenty-one of these years. It was first published as a paper, then for a short time it was printed as a magazine, finally reverting to its original form. For several years, when the journalism class was in existence, the material was furnished by them, together with others not in the journalism class, but later a regular staff was formed when the journalism course was discontinued.

Twice a year the paper holds a subscription drive opened by a special convocation. The fall drive this year was opened with an amateur show, contestants from the student body participating for prizes of theater passes. The second semester drive presented



ANNETTE SLONE
Editor

a skit, "An Average Day in the Survey Office," which contributed a lot of laughs and fun for everyone.

The experience gained by working on the Survey staff has, in years past, proved to be a worthwhile thing for later life. Several graduates of Marion High School who worked on the Survey as staff members or as officials of the paper have since made fine records in the field of journalism. This speaks well for the paper as a sort of practical groundwork which can give the more ambitious students a start on their climb to the heights of the journalistic profession.



Top Row—Fowler, Brower, Camblin, Penrod, advisor, McPherson, Pruden, Galligan.
Second Row—Bartels, Robinson, Cary, Cowen, Giltner, Stout, Sweet, Rhetts, Brannon.
Bottom Row—York, Pfeiffer, Jones, Kees, Slone, Carter, Ballenger, Jackson, Bernard.

THE SIGNAL

During the past four years, the Health classes of Marion High School have published "The Signal," a paper dealing entirely with traffic safety. It is the most recent publication attempted by Marion High students, and so far, it has been highly successful. A small, three column, four page paper, it contains as much valuable information as some periodicals twice its size. It is unique in that it is one of the few known papers of its kind in the United States.

The articles contained in the Signal are usually written by members of the Health and Safety classes, although occasionally, a feature article from the National Safety Council is obtained. The Council also contributes many interesting cuts, which are used to illustrate the paper.

The purpose of the Signal is to impress upon students and adults alike, the necessity for obeying traffic rules at all times. It conveys to its readers many important developments in existing traffic conditions and brings to view many new traffic laws and regulations.

The Signal is printed by members of the printing classes, under the direction of B. H. Penrod, Marion High School Director of Publications.

The paper is financed by different civic clubs in Marion, such as the Elks' Club, the Lions' Club, the Rotary Club, and the Exchange Club, each organization sponsoring one issue. It is distributed free to grade school students all over Marion, as well as to high school students. Of the 6000 copies printed, some are sent to schools in other states.

The Signal is edited by two students chosen for their interest in the subject, and their capability. They are aided by students from the Health classes, who study safety each Monday under the supervision of Ronald Jacobson, Health and athletic instructor. Because of difficulties in getting started, no Signal was printed during the first semester. The co-editors for the second semester were Pat Kiley and Bayard Goldsmith, who turned in excellent work, making the first issue better than ever before. However, during the preparation of this issue, an automobile accident deprived Marion High School of one of its most promising students, Bayard Goldsmith. Inasmuch as he was co-editor of the safety paper, it was indeed a strange quirk of fate that caused his demise. His death was quite a blow to the success and progress of the Signal, but in spite of this, the paper came through in good order, to be one of the best issues ever printed.



OSCAR FORTNEY AND PAT KILEY
Co-Editors of The Signal

THE HI-Y CLUB



Top Row—Wesco, Terhune, Walters, V. Smith, Folkerth, Colbert.
 Second Row—Vogel, H. Smith, Passwater, Galligan, J. Billheimer, Stover, Hoey, Husted.
 Third Row—Barley, Bruner, Cox, Circle, BeVard, Pugh, Lasky, Dubuque, Hinkle.
 Fourth Row—Heller, Baker, Showalter, Forbush, Coffin, Kisling, Bryan, Kightlinger, Byler.
 Fifth Row—Keen, Pennington, Haupt, Dury, Rainey, Camblin, Perkins, W. Baker, Owen.
 Sixth Row—Curfman, Trostel, Horton, McMullen, Burr, Pierce, Caldwell, Magers, Fortney.
 Seventh Row—Dunton, Beyers, Trostel, Botkin, Wagoner, Vaughn, Mills.
 Bottom Row—Brumfiel, Lavengood, Rhett, Murrell, Bryan.

With the installation of officers for next fall, the Hi-Y brought to a close one of the most successful programs of the past few years.

This year's activities were planned in advance and proved to be most interesting. The theme of the first semester's program was vocations, while the second semester was divided into three respective groups, each covering a period of six weeks. One social gathering was held in each month. Of these there were a Mother and Son dinner, a Father and Son dinner, and a joint Girl Reserve and Hi-Y meeting, a dance being held after the general meeting. Highlights in this program included talks

on aviation, medicine, radio and television, clothes, scouting, courtesy, religion, and boy and girl relations.

The idea of having a dance following basketball games was started this year and invitations were extended not only to Marion students but were also given to the students of the visiting schools. All dances and socials were held in the newly decorated social rooms of the Y.M.C.A.

The club this year voted to become affiliated with the National Hi-Y and several changes were made in the constitution.



FIRST SEMESTER OFFICERS

Top Row—Thurl Burr, Treasurer; James Billheimer, Sergeant-at-Arms.

Bottom Row—Wilson Baker, President; Theron Owen, Vice-president; Ralph Trostel, Secretary.



SECOND SEMESTER OFFICERS

Top Row—Warren Smith, Sponsor; Philip Cox, Treasurer; Philip Galligan, Sergt.-at-Arms; Verl V. Smith, H. S. Sponsor.

Bottom Row—Fred Baker, President; Dick Horton, Vice-president; Ardith Heller, Secretary.

THE GIRL

RESERVES

GIRL RESERVE CABINET

Top Row—Miss Neal, Miss Brownlee, Bartels, Armstrong, Camp, Miss Heck, Miss Renbarger.

Second Row—Matthews, Swaney, Stout, Giltner, Motsinger.

Third Row—Rhetts, Hall, Downing.

Bottom Row—Brannon, president.

Another of the many successful years of the Zonta Girl Reserves has come to a close. This club, a junior branch of the Y.W.C.A., is the organization in school with membership open to all girls. Many new activities were introduced this year with great success.

The annual candle light service was held the first of December in recognition of the new mem-

bers. Martha Ellen Rauch played a harp solo, and Patricia Camp sang "My Task," as a part of the program.

A Christmas party was held for the children at the Children's Home during the Yuletide season. A program was presented after which each child received gifts and refreshments. A visit was made to the Emily Flinn Home where the Club members sang carols and presented the elderly ladies with roses.

The first semester's social activities ended with a big chili supper, which was the most successful party of the year. Each girl was given a "nick name" on her place card. Singing contests were held with each table of girls trying to outsing the others. Result—a lot of fun. Skating rink tickets were given as attendance prizes.

Starting the second semester membership drive, an all girl assembly was held in which the Girl Reserve Cabinet presented "Bluebeard," a skit done in pantomime. A George Washington party at the Y.W.C.A., with several novel games, provided a lot of fun. Prizes and refreshments were a part of the party.

The second matinee dance came along in March. "The Sandwich Spread," another party in the cafeteria, featured plenty of food.

This year the club's welfare work was most outstanding. Besides a contribution to the Community Chest and the purchase of a Health Bond, the club purchased two quarts of milk daily for three months to assist an unfortunate family.



Three loyal G. R.'s sell salt water taffy in the front hall.



Scene at a large mass meeting of the Girl Reserves in high school auditorium.



Girl Reserves act up in skit.



Impressive candlelight service.

THE HISTORY CLUB



Top Row—Scheerer, Vanlandingham, Stout, L. Thomas, Slone, H. Smith, Rainey, Kiser.
 Second Row—Loomis, Bedwell, Ridge, C. Stover, Magers, Downing, Hennigin, H. White.
 Third Row—Williamson, Galligan, Vaughn, Carey, B. Cunningham, Lytle, G. Overman, P. Love.
 Fourth Row—Cowen, Camp, F. Thomas, Herring, Myers, Vossler, Dixon, Buchanan.
 Fifth Row—Walker, Sweet, E. Stover, M. Stover, Marston, Bowman, Graham, Randolph.
 Bottom Row—Overman, Smalley, Morrison, Scherer, Brunk, Wysong, Smith, advisor.



Since its inception in 1935 the record of achievement of the Grant County Junior Historical Club has been nothing less than amazing. In five short years it has published a history of Grant County, marked points of historical interest, held an annual "History Week," and further distinguished itself by organizing the Indiana Junior Historical Society—the only organization of its type in the United States.

Throughout the year the work of the History Club has been carried out with "Service to the School and Community" as its practical ideal. Men outstanding in the field of history were brought by the club as speakers for the school. During "History

Week" programs were also furnished for the junior high schools and service clubs.

Officers for the year were: John R. Overman, president; Maud Scherer, secretary; Betty Brunk, treasurer; and Merritt Smalley, Marjorie Norman, and Robert Wysong, members of the Board of Directors. Faculty advisor was Mr. V. V. Smith and junior advisor was Richard Simons.

Highlighting the club's activity for the year was the organization of a state historical society composed of high school clubs. This work which had its beginning in 1938 was culminated last fall in Indianapolis when the constitution drawn by the Grant County society was accepted.

THE SPANISH CLUB

One of Marion High School's outstanding clubs is the Spanish Club. Again this year, as in previous years, it was a very active organization. The fall activities began in November with the election of the officers. Those elected for the year were Martha Hall, president; Elaine Gabriel, first vice-president; Joy Long, second vice-president; Loy Bernard, secretary; and Roy Vogel, treasurer.

"To encourage the study of Spanish and to foster better understanding among the Spanish classess," is the purpose of the club, as stated in its constitution. This aim has been carried out under the able sponsorship of Miss Helen Wortman and Miss Mary Middleton.

The most original part of the Spanish Club parties was the business meeting. It was all conducted in Spanish, thereby giving the students a more practical use of their knowledge. After each

meeting there was some form of entertainment.

The club this year had about 60 members. Membership in the club was open to all students who were enrolled in Spanish at the time who maintained an average of 85 or over, and to all other students who had previously taken one year of Spanish.

Late in November the club enoyed a pot-luck super in the high school cafeteria. In December a Spanish Christmas was observed, at which time a group of Spanish students gave a Christmas play, "El Naciniento," and a "white elephant" exchange was held.

In January the Spanish Club was entertained by Mr. William Littlefield in the Indiana General Service rooms. In early March the club held a pot-luck supper in the high school cafeteria. The annual spring picnic closed the club's activities for the year.



Top Row—Kees, Claxon, Merritt, Ellis, Witmer, Loomis, Hoppes, Hamilton, Erwin, McKeown, Buchanan, Bartels.
 Second Row—Stewart, Perkins, Norman, V. Smith, Oradat, Ewbank, Sapp, E. BeVard, M. Fearney, Street, Davidson, Bowman.
 Third Row—York, R. Pryor, Forbush, Magers, Sprinkle, Kennedy, Thomas, Scherer, Gallion, Siebold, Pulley, Cretsinger.
 Fourth Row—Kahlenbeck, Bedwell, Goebel, V. Smith, Wright, Stuart, Gear, France, Henry, Cassady, Carter, Harley.
 Fifth Row—Richards, R. Billheimer, T. Smith, Vaughn, Garinger, Passwater, Wiley, Miller, Middleton, Sisson.
 Bottom Row—Wortman, sponsor, Gabriel, Hall, Bernard, Long, Vogel.

THE LATIN CLUB



Top Row—York, Buroker, Davis, Smith, Love, Goddard, Kees, Trostel, Blackburn.
 Second Row—Lucas, Breckenridge, Hartson, McGriff, Marston, Norman, Peter, Mullins, Barrett, Swathwood.
 Third Row—West, Reed, Kiser, Goff, Hart, Stenger, Surber, Sloderbeck, Cowen, Sprecher.
 Fourth Row—Sexton, Ferguson, Scheerer, Randolph, Meredith, Stover, Smelser, Sweet, Hennigin, Jensen.
 Fifth Row—Hendricks, sponsor, Caldwell, Botkin, Pierce, Rhett, Bragg, Parsons, Bryan, Scott, Neal, sponsor.
 Bottom Row—Williamson, George, Jones, McKown, Dick, Swaney, Coffin, Smith.



The ancient Roman school boys might have said, "Omnis labor et nullus ludus Marcum, stultum puerum efficit." (All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy.) To prevent such a disaster at Marion High School, the Latin department sponsors the Latin Club.

The present officials are the consuls, Jim McKown and Phoebe Ann Jones; the quaestors, William Williamson and Hal Smith; the aediles Virginia George, Barbara Swaney, Merrell Coffin, and Margaret Dick; the plebeian tribune, Robert A. Reed.

Believing that variety is the spice of life, these officers, under the sponsorship of Miss Gladys Neal and Miss Agnes Hendricks, have held varied meetings during the year. Among these have been a Roman style show, an illustrated comparison of Ro-

man and modern warfare, and the construction of a miniature model of a Roman house.

The most important parties of the year were the May Breakfast, held at the Indiana General Service Club Rooms on May 3, the County Latin Conclave held at McCulloch Junior High School, a skating party, and the annual club picnic.

An outstanding project for the club was its sponsorship of the "Candid Camera Shots of Ancient Rome." It was a series of Roman historical events presented in modern version by the first year Latin students of McCulloch, under the direction of Mr. Willard Batson.

Unlike most club projects this play was presented at a general convocation where all the students in school had an opportunity to witness it.

THE ART CLUB

Contrary to popular opinion, all artists are not queer, temperamental people with long hair who go around in paint-smeared smocks. They are quite normal and enjoy club activities just as much as anyone else.

The Art Club this year is a large group composed only of students taking art or who are especially interested and active in things connected with the art department.

Miss Grace Cleveland, art teacher, is sponsor of the club. The officers chosen for this year were as follows: William Fowler, president; Robert B. Reed, vice-president; William Kennedy, treasurer; Robert Landis, secretary.

The members of the Art Club especially have cooperated in decorating and working on publicity

for such school activities as the Cactus Frolic, school plays, class parties, Easter Parade, and others.

The predominating purpose of the Art Club is to further art interests in the high school besides giving the art students a chance for recreation. One of their main activities is trying to bring worthwhile art exhibits to Marion High School.

Soon after the election they gave their first party mainly for the purpose of initiating and installing the newly-elected officers.

They gave another party during the second semester to welcome new members. Tommy Russell, well-known chalk artist of Marion College, gave an illustrated talk especially for art students.

At various times the school has enjoyed art displays in the trophy case and halls.



Top Row—Davidson, Sharp, Hoyt, Pennington, Swihart, Armstrong, McMasters, Miss Cleveland, sponsor, Adams.
Second Row—Harmon, Kennedy, Berry, Henry, Smaltz, Deering, Watson, R. Wilson, Reed, Taylor.
Third Row—White, Ridge, Leonard, Graham, Anderson, Marley, Morrison, Beyler, Abbott, Lovell.
Fourth Row—Banter, M. Sloan, Beavers, Rinehart, Mellendorf, Hall, Sloop, Hosier, Wilson, Randolph.
Bottom Row—Hoppes, Cain, Kelly, Miller, Davis, Pruden, Schwartz, Nicholls, Ferguson, Jacob.

THE SCIENCE CLUB



Top Row—McConn, Hall, McCorkle, Shugart, Kimball, Walker, Kees.
 Second Row—Knee, Canode, Curfman, Botkin, R. Cunningham, Savage, Schooley, Korporal.
 Third Row—R. Billheimer, Stout, J. Billheimer, Pape, Strickler, Snow, M. Smith, Pfefferle.
 Bottom Row—Thompson, Slone, Burr, Beyler, Mayhugh.



Members of the science department first organized the Marion High School Science Club in the fall of 1935 under the sponsorship of the three science teachers. Any student of the physics, chemistry, or biology classes or any student who had had at least a year of science was eligible to join the club. In the spring of 1936 the organization became affiliated with the State Junior Academy of Science and the club, each year, sends the president and a few delegates to the state convention which this year was held in Terre Haute.

The purpose of the Science Club is to develop interest in those subjects offered in any of our science classes which would be of special interest to the individual student. Among these are taxonomy, photography, radio, lantern slides, advanced chemistry, and microscopic work.

Because most of the meetings were held in the evening, the participation of many members in the various demonstrations was possible. These demonstrations pertain to various branches of chemistry, physics, and biology.

During the year the Science Club sponsored a few evening meetings with guest speakers. Among these speakers were Mr. B. H. Penrod, who lectured on astronomy; and Mr. Louis Ter Ven, senior, engineer of the Farnsworth Radio and Television Corporation, who talked on opportunities in engineering.

The officers for the year were Arthur Beyler, president; Thurl Burr, vice-president; Annette Slone, secretary; Georgia Lee Thompson, treasurer; and Mrs. Pauline Mayhugh, faculty advisor.

THE BOYS' AND GIRLS' GLEE CLUBS



BOYS' GLEE CLUB

Top Row—Faulkner, Thompson, Gipson, Humes, Druckemiller.
 Second Row—Wilson, Keith, Norkus, McLarty, BeVard, Craft, sponsor.
 Third Row—Perkins, Short, Wildcner, Mignerey, Beyler.
 Fourth Row—Pettiford, Beyler, Norman, Kennedy.
 Fifth Row—Barley, Mooney, Gabbert, Pryor, Fortney, Wilson.
 Bottom Row—Lincoln, Price, Faulkner, Stewart, Peak.

GIRLS' GLEE CLUB

Top Row—Kees, George, Davis, Rhett, Ballenger.
 Second Row—Weil, McClain, Young, Sapp, Carter.
 Third Row—Downing, Eymer, Faunce, Fisher, Craft, sponsor.
 Fourth Row—Fortney, Jackson, Adams, Schroeder, Wilson.
 Fifth Row—Moss, Dobson, Long, Walter, BeVard.
 Bottom Row—Weesner, Giltner, Pennington, Williams, Redmon.

The Glee Clubs this year consisted of thirty-two girls and twenty-seven boys under the direction of Miss Louise Craft. Glee Club is a half credit subject and is open to any boy or girl in high school. The clubs participate in practically every program or production in which group singing is required.

This year they have several programs to their credit among which was the Easter program given during Holy Week. They played an important part in the "Marion Hi Revue" given March 12-13 by the dramatics and other departments. Participation in the Easter Parade and in Baccalaureate and Commencement exercises brought to a close another successful year for them. Only seniors take part in the singing for graduation and this year there were thirty-two graduating members in the clubs.

Another new feature for the Glee Clubs is the Peru Music Festival. Marion, as well as Kokomo, Peru and Logansport, sang separately and then in a massed group under the direction of C. E. Palmer.

For the last year a special Madrigal group of eight voices has met every Monday night and has entertained several clubs throughout the city with folk-songs and spirituals. They sang for the American Legion birthday party and at the dedication of the new Thomas Jefferson school and participated in the Easter Parade, April 26. The accompanists this year were Jean Ruth Weil for the girls and Jeanne Young for the boys.

THE MARCHING AND CONCERT BAND



Top Row—Endsley, Walthall, George, Keen, Andrews, Davidson, Mallen, Landess, Wolf, Colin, Mang, Director Phillip Polley, Fry, Oakerson, Thompson, Pettiford, Enyeart, W. Baker, Pierce, Lake, Hinkle, Waymire, Lutz, Shelly, Mathias, Daugherty, Walker, Gipson.
 Second Row—Masterson, Gillespie, Thompson, Coffin, Woodring, Passwater, Stout, Worrell, Forbush, Wilson, Jackson, Connelly, Kiser, Ralston, McConn, Worrell, Casey, Biscumb, Curfman.
 Third Row—Wagner, McGuire, Samson, Leslie, Billheimer, Wagner, Bruner, Strain, McMullen, Ellison, Baker, Thorne, Ellis, Pope, Jensen, Sprinkle.
 Bottom Row—Cunningham, McAfee, Druckemiller, Kimball, Williamson, Burr, Meredith, Jackson, Beshore, Fields.

The Marion High School orchestra, consisting of forty-six members under the capable direction of Lloyd DaCosta Jones, has accomplished many things this year. It has given two major concerts this season, the first, on February 14 at the dedication of the newly constructed Jefferson School Building, and an appreciation program on April 12 for the Marion Symphony Unit and the Tri Kappa Sorority, who made it possible for the members of the orchestra to attend a concert given by the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra earlier in the year. Also, they have given two excellent programs before the student body, the first in early February and the second in April.

A string ensemble made up of members of the orchestra has furnished music for many civic occasions throughout the year.

The orchestra participated in the Annual Music Festival held at Peru, Indiana on May 1. At this Festival the orchestras from Kokomo, Peru, Logansport, and Marion, each gave separate concerts during the day and at night there was a concert by all orchestras playing together. This year Mr. Jones had the privilege of conducting that orchestra.

Mr. Jones has been a member of our faculty for thirteen years and during that time has helped to establish an excellent record for Marion High School in the field of music.





The Marion High School Band, under the capable direction of Phillip W. Polley, has reached new heights this year. Since 1935 when Mr. Polley assumed directorship, the band has steadily improved until now it is considered one of the best in the state. Although last year's rating was very high, Mr. Polley considers this band even better, indeed the best in five years.

During the year the band has given several excellent programs for the high school students and faculty. Four student directors were privileged to direct on these occasions. Those to receive this recognition were: James Billheimer, Thurl Burr, Robert Cunningham, and Earl Landess. The band has been a valuable asset to the school by playing at the football and basketball games and by participating in civic affairs and programs. The band has also developed into an outstanding marching organization and gave fine performances at the football games and elsewhere. Jack Druckemiller served as drum major this year, with James Billheimer, Philip Davidson, Betty Fields, Eva Marie Stout, and Betty Wagner as twirlers. Several trips out of town have also been included in their activities. On one such occasion the band accompanied the basketball team to Ft. Wayne to play for the game with Central high school.

Again this year the band did not participate in the regional contest but instead went to Peru where they took part in the Peru Music Festival on May 1.

THE CONCERT ORCHESTRA



Top Row—Baker, Landess, Mr. Jones, director, Daugherty, Walker, Goebel, McRae, Nestleroad, Johnson.

Second Row—Barrett, King, Carey, Williamson, Burr, Fields, Thompson, J. Billheimer, Wagner, Bruner, Murphy, Byler, West, Fisher, Rauch.

Third Row—Vanlandingham, Michos, Priser, Hill, Stenger, McKown, Pierce, Mullins, Grossnickle.

Bottom Row—Meredith, Bernard, Scott, R. Billheimer, Hillsamer.

DRAMATICS

Since Edward B. Longerich started teaching in Marion High School in the fall of 1939, the dramatic department has been in a continuous state of



EDWARD B. LONGERICH

activity. Mr. Longerich is well qualified as a dramatic teacher because of his wide experience in those lines. He played in the "Student Prince" and many other professional stage plays over a period dating from his graduation from high school in 1918 until his entrance into Iowa University from which he received his A.B. degree in dramatics and speech in 1935. He was then honored by a fellowship to Butler University and received his Master's degree in education in 1937. His first year of teaching was in a small, Manson, Iowa, high school. There he had a very successful year, climaxed by having one of his productions sent to the Iowa City Play Festival where it was rated superior. Mr. Longerich came to Marion from Indianapolis.

Last year he presented numerous one-act plays, and four major productions, including an operetta. This is a remarkable record considering that he also teaches classes in Speech, English VIII, and Stagecraft. The year just past was a full one in the dramatic department. Three three-act plays were presented, in addition to several one-act plays, and a revue, which proved to be the hit of the year.

The Marion Hi Revue was the first attempted in many years, and it turned out to be a rousing success. Over 150 boys and girls had parts in it in different ways. It was presented in two acts containing nineteen different numbers. One of the outstanding parts of the Revue was the skit "MacBeth at Podunk High School," which was accorded much favorable comment in the school, and local city papers.

Mr. Longerich conceived and directed the Revue, assisted by Gaylord Allen, practice teacher from Indiana University. Miss Louise Craft directed the Glee Clubs and Orchestra, while Miss Betty Ann Lavengood originated and directed the clever dance routines; elaborate costumes were designed by Richard Hill, a Marion High School student, and were made by the Homemaking classes under the supervision of Miss Florence Heck. The Junior Class arranged the advance publicity and carried on the successful ticket selling campaign. Jean Ruth Weil was pianist and Olen York's orchestra played for the affair. The list of acts and their parts follows:

ACT I

Good Evening.....	Dance Routine
You Take The High Road.....	Sketch
Strange Interlude.....	Comedy Act
Indian Reverie.....	Glee Clubs
On The Loose.....	Sketch
Are You Having Any Fun?.....	Dance Ensemble
No! No! No!.....	Sketch
Flashing Skates.....	Specialty
Marimba Solo.....	Specialty
In Old Vienna.....	Sketch
Twinkling Stars.....	Dance Routine

ACT II

Rhythmatics.....	Dance Routine
Scatter Brain.....	Tap Fantasy
The Mail Must Go Through.....	Sketch
A Bit of Old South.....	Glee Clubs
South American Way.....	Dance Routine
MacBeth at Podunk High School.....	Burlesque
Military Tap.....	Tap Routine
Grand Finale.....	Entire Cast

THE MARION HI REVUE



Top—Beautiful costumes highlight this scene entitled "In Old Vienna."

Middle—A "dramatic" scene from the skit "MacBeth."

Bottom—Massed cast in the Grand Finale .

On the night of November 15, Mr. Edward Longerich unveiled his original play, "High Principles," and the following night gave a repeat performance. "High Principles" was a comedy, the plot of which dealt with the trials and tribulations of two brothers, and two sisters. To complicate matters the brothers were married to the sisters, and the story was a snappy series of climaxes and counter-climaxes which finally ended as most plays do these days—happily.

CAST OF CHARACTERS

James Ellis.....	Gordon Caldwell
Lora, his wife.....	Phyllis Giltner
Richard Ellis.....	David Benjamin
Constance, his wife.....	Betty Shaw
Aunt Clara.....	Wanda Jean McRae
Robert Caine.....	Robert Fisher
Jane, a maid.....	Kathleen Williams

"HIGH PRINCIPLES"



Top Left—The same old system—it always works.

Right—The system fails—with unhealthy results.

Lower Left—Hubby explains last night under the close scrutiny of his questioners.



Top Right—A general view of Mrs. Plop's boarding house "drawing room."

Right—Mrs. Plop is very much interested in this proposition.

Lower Left—The Professor takes matters into his own hands while Kewpie wails her displeasure.

"MEET THE DUCHESS"

"Meet The Duchess" was presented in Marion High School auditorium on the nights of December 13 and 14. It was directed by Edward Longerich.

The action of the entire play took place in the parlor of "Mrs. Plop's Exclusive, Refined, Professional Hollywood Boarding House." The story revolved chiefly around the lives of the boarders living in Mrs. Plop's boarding house. The play was noteworthy in that its cast all turned in creditable performances in their somewhat difficult roles.

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Joy January.....	Bette Davis
Gaylord Grant.....	John Overman
Dixie.....	Loy Bernard
Mrs. Muggles.....	Harriett Rhett's
Kewpie.....	Kathleen Williams
Mrs. Plop.....	Martha Ellen Rauch
Elsie Blake.....	Dorothea Wilson
Ronnie Ward.....	David Benjamin
Erasmus Q. Dinsmore.....	Gordon Caldwell
Sam Strudel.....	Richard Leslie
Mary Swain.....	Margaret Henry



CACTUS

The same go-getting spirit which characterized the Junior Class of 1939 was very much in evidence when the members of that class took the roles of Seniors of 1940.

This fact was vouched for when the class started again to make things hum. Their leaders of 1939 assumed new and more responsible duties as chiefs of the seniors, which was the publishing of the 1940 Cactus.

The Cactus, however, could not possibly be issued each year without some system of raising money to finance it, and Mr. B. H. Penrod, faculty advisor, being always abreast of the latest yearbook trends, realized fourteen years ago that advertising as a source of funds was excellent, but more important, that advertising also detracted from the quality of the yearbook. And so, for that reason, originated the idea of a form of entertainment, known as the Cactus Frolic, to raise funds.

To this day the Cactus Frolic has never failed to attract hundreds of people, and, therefore, to yield a nice profit. When those in charge surveyed, with raised eyebrows, the School Calendar filled to the bursting point with dates of the many activities of Marion High School and other city schools, during the month of October, they decided to do something about it at once; consequently, they selected the night of January 18 as their Cactus Frolic date, and settled down to prepare for it.

It was in those preparations and their execution that the Cactus staff of 1940, wonderfully supported by the whole school, proved themselves to be showmen, pioneers, and financial wizards.

Their showmanship was revealed in their elaborate decorations of the usual booths and concessions, as well as in the dance and floorshow, which was dedicated to the basketball team. "Old King Basketball" was the theme of the affair, and each booth displayed a huge hand-drawn portrait of one of the members of the ball team. This work was done by



Top—The Girl Reserve candy booth proves a popular spot.

Middle—Pinocchio's nose makes a good target for these dart throwers.

Bottom—Marion's N. C. C. champs are prohibited here.

FROLIC

the art students, under the capable supervision of Miss Grace Cleveland, art instructor.

Their pioneering spirit was shown in that they defied tradition in three drastic ways: They changed the date; they raised the price of admission; and they used the amplifying system to air modern records for dancing instead of having an orchestra. Now, three such startling changes in the same year might, and did, sound like financial suicide to some, but this group proved their sound reasoning and their aforementioned financial wizardry by showing a clear profit of one hundred dollars more than the previous year's entertainment.

The frolic was presented, as scheduled, on the blustery night of January 18 in Memorial Coliseum. The mercury, which had taken a sudden dive to twelve degrees below zero, did not daunt the huge throng, and the Cactus staff stood by rubbing their hands in glee as the checkroom receipts doubled any previous records.

The floorshow was well-given and equally well received. Robert Price, Cactus editor-in-chief, and master of ceremonies for the evening, introduced Mayor Carl F. Barney who helped out by drawing the lucky numbers for the attendance prizes. The Grand Prize was a phonograph and radio combination, valued at one hundred dollars, which was won by a Marion High School sophomore, Barbara Burnside. An electric clock, and a score of theater tickets were also awarded to the holders of the lucky-numbered ducats.

After the floorshow, park-plan dancing to the music of the nation's best bands, broadcast through the public address system, was the center of attraction.

The workers on this splendidly prepared and executed Cactus Frolic went to their respective beds late that eventful night fully satisfied and happy that they had produced probably the best Cactus Frolic ever given since its origin.



Top—Flashing skates in the superb floorshow.

Middle—Barbara Burnside expresses her pleasure in winning the Grand Attendance Prize.

Bottom—Earl Mason toots his hot trumpet in the Cactus Frolic floorshow.

The 1940 Easter Parade



EVA MARIE STOUT

QUEEN OF THE 1940 EASTER PARADE



Gretchen Bartels

SENIOR PRINCESS



Elaine Gabriel

SENIOR PRINCESS



The brightest, most outstanding light in the many activities of Marion high school is the annual Easter Parade, which is always climaxed by the coronation of the Easter Queen. Miss Eva Marie Stout was elected queen this year by popular vote of the entire student body. Serving as senior princesses were Gretchen Bartels and Elaine Gabriel.

Only senior girls can be candidates for queen; these are nominated by petitions, and three nominees are chosen by the Senior class to compete for the crown. These three candidates must then sell a minimum of six hundred tickets to become eligible for the final voting which determines the winner. Voters must be advance ticket holders, and the two defeated candidates are automatically made

Elaine Downing

JUNIOR ATTENDANT



Betty Claxon

JUNIOR ATTENDANT



senior princesses when the results of the election are tabulated.

The elaborate coronation ceremonies preceding the floorshow are given for the queen's pleasure, as she watches from her festooned throne.

The 1940 Easter Parade had as its general theme, the well-known story of Cinderella. The Fairy Queen, the Haughty Sisters, the boys drill and the poor Cinderella girls were brought onto the scene beautifully as the story of Cinderella unfolded there in Memorial Coliseum before five thousand well-pleased spectators. The Fairy Queen worked miracles, the Haughty Sisters powdered and fumed in preparation for the Ball and the Cinderella



Mary Ellen Hennigan

JUNIOR ATTENDANT



Wiladean Jeffrey

SOPHOMORE ATTENDANT



maids dutifully swept and cleaned, wishing all the while that they could also attend the Ball. At the Ball the Minuet and the boy's drill dominated as two precisioned groups totaling over 100 boys and girls danced and paraded. Beautiful costumes also aided in the striking effect. Other noteworthy numbers were the ballet dance, the Madrigal group singers and a quartet of loose limbed girl tap dancers.

No one can ever be named as solely responsible for the fine productions given each year on the Easter Parade, but a few do work that merits much praise and credit. This year Mr. Kenneth Sipe, general chairman of the event, should be mentioned for his fine handling of such a huge production. Miss Gladys

Rebecca Gallion

SOPHOMORE ATTENDANT



Jane Landrum

SOPHOMORE ATTENDANT



Lewis, Miss Gladys Neal, Mrs. Agnes Kridel, Miss Louise Craft, Mr. Edward Longerich, and Mr. V. V. Smith are also not to be left unsung for their individual and collective efforts. These members and nearly all other school faculty members did splendid work; however, Misses Betty Ann Lavengood and Gretchen Bartels of the student division, did equally good work, as did innumerable other willing students.

Consensus of opinion seemed to favor the Boy's Drill, directed by faculty member Mr. V. V. Smith, as the standout in the queen's entertainment, but to point out one thing as superior is hardly just in view of the fact that the whole show fully measured up to the high standards of previous Easter Parades.



RANDOM VIEWS OF THE 1940 EASTER PARADE

HERE ARE A FEW OF THE HIGH

SEPTEMBER

Dear Diary:

The wheels of industry (?) begin to rotate again in M.H.S. as Mr. John Kendall, principal, gave his annual welcoming address.

The warm weather was too much for us so, with the consent of our superiors we took the afternoons off for a few days.

The football season got on its way with a roaring start but was slowed down some by a

The Girl Reserves opened their membership drive the day before Marion was defeated by Huntington.

The 1940 Cactus heads are named and work starts on a great book using the motto "It will be out on time."

Mildred Dilling honors students with an interesting talk.

Agriculture people put on show as Giants travel to New Castle to be defeated 20 to 7.



Maestro Saul Ganz and his swingsters play for a Girl Reserve matinee dance.

defeat from Cathedral of Indianapolis.

The Faculty takes annual outing; Mr. Crane held the 1940 picnic on his farm.

Marion played Kokomo, losing 20-12. Nothing more to say on that subject, but we got over our defeat by walloping Elwood with a score of 22 to 0.

OCTOBER

Dear Diary:

Everyone is bringing their quarters for Survey payments as semester drive opens.

Many girls gather at "Y.W." to hold annual tea.

Then Senior class officers are elected and start plans for a big year. On the following day Marion encountered Muncie but the outcome was headed by the Bearcats, 20 to 7.

To start out a short week, because of Teacher's Convention, the "Hi-Y" held their annual "Hay Ride."

Today was very dull, because the teachers performed an unnecessary duty by putting low grades on our cards.

Giants look good as they beat Logansport 25 to 0.

Basketball prospects join together to start many weeks of hard practice.

LIGHTS OF THE 1940 SCHOOL YEAR

NOVEMBER

Dear Diary:

Our tears spoil the shine on our shoes as the Wabash Apaches race home with our Giants' scalps and the victory bell after the final gridiron contest of the season.

M.H.S. delegates enjoy a two day vacation to the "Windy City" to attend N.H.S.P.A. Convention.

Students and adults enjoy the comedy "High Principles."

Giants fill the air with fur, but Kokomo Kats stalk victoriously homeward after a thrilling encounter.

Giants turn the tables on the Indians and do the scalping to the score of 27 to 24.

G. R.'s give program at Orphan's Home.

With broken lances and battered armor the Trojans bowed to Marion after a humiliating defeat by the hands of our husky Giants.

Ruthlessly routed from school because facul-



Sophomores couldn't afford seats at the "Foolish Fiesta."



Looks pretty good from up here.

National Catholic Champions down Giants in first hardwood encounter.

Giants stage quick comeback by defeating Wabash and squaring scores for the last football game.

Students respond graciously to Thanksgiving offering before starting home for a two day feed on turkey and cranberries.

DECEMBER

Dear Diary:

Loganberries stain the countenances of our Giants after second basketball defeat.

"Junior Jitterbugs" stage "Snowball Swing."

ty favors (and needs) yuletide vacation, we run sadly (?) homeward.

JANUARY

Happy New Year Diary:

School did not start until the third day of this month, and even then classes were greatly disorganized.

Mr. Kendall introduced Mr. Lockridge who spoke to student body.

Another fine speaker today as students prepare for Cactus Frolic.

Cactus Frolic proved huge success and it looks like another fine annual this year.

Two day vacation as semester ends. Some feel fine, others feel flunked.

FEBRUARY

Hi-ya Diary:

New semester, new classes, new teachers, same old grades.

Orchestra presents thrilling program so students can enjoy fine music.

Walter Stephenson presents school with interesting set of Lincoln photographs in Lincoln Day program.

Both nights the house was filled; both nights the cast did well; both nights applause was deafening, proving great success of the first "Marion Hi Revue."

General Motors entertains assembly with a show.

The hour two, the bells five, and all witnessed another film of Ray Bright's safety program.

Holy Week brought speakers from many churches for our daily convocations.

Two day Easter vacation proved most satisfactory with especially Seniors, Juniors, Sophomores and faculty.



Mr. Kendall and friends after an educational convocation.



View of the crowd leaving the Coliseum after the afternoon regional games.

Senior class plans and holds greatest party of years.

Girl Reserves hold entertaining matinee dance in gym.

Not much news this month. What do you hear from the mob, Diary?

MARCH

Marion is first team to beat Gas City and wins sectional tourney.

Afternoon session of regional is very interesting, and if you don't mind, we'll not mention session starting at eight p.m.

The day preceding the State Tourney in Indianapolis, which our team attended, (on the bleachers) the band gave a concert from the stage.

APRIL

Good morning, Diary:

Today, "Mr. Edward Longerich" presented one of his famous one-act plays for the pleasure of the student body.

School was greatly disorganized today because the sophomores were busy making ready for the "Foolish Fiesta." The same day the Earl-

ham choir presented the students with a splendid program.

The Inter-Class Track Meet was a great success, especially for the Seniors.

Students and townspeople filed into the auditorium this evening to see "Heaney, The Great" put on a super magic show.

Ray Bright presented another Safety film today. The same day the boys traveled to South Side for a three way track meet; the orchestra gave another fine musical program.

Again this month the students enjoyed another one-act play put on by the English VIII classes.

informed there are three more weeks. Can they make it?

Conference Track Meet, outstanding athletic event of the month.

Students buying tickets for Prom, put on by Juniors, always an exciting affair.

Girl Reserves hold last party of their year, a Mother's Day Tea.

State Track meet interests many boys.

Senior Play with outstanding cast gives fine performance.

Seniors attend Baccalaureate Services.



The basketball team on guard at the front door.



A heated game during intermission of the "Snowball Swing."

Marion sweeps County Track Meet as Vogel breaks half mile record.

A delightful Easter Parade "prevue" was presented this morning, before the track team left for Anderson to be defeated in a duel meet.

Eva Marie Stout named Easter Queen, presided over gigantic floor show, as crowd overflowed the Coliseum to see 1940 Easter Parade.

The last day of this month the glee clubs gave a pleasant performance on the stage.

MAY

Welcome, Diary:

Sunny days appear seldom as Seniors are

Teachers go crazy as Seniors tear up building during Senior week.

Commencement exercises held at Memorial Coliseum. Largest class in history of school.

JUNE

Good-bye, Diary:

While still hunting for their own diplomas, members of the class of '40 take their last look at the high school where they spent three happy (?) years.

The janitors prepare for summer work on M.H.S. The class of 1941 promises to be outstanding, but no one will forget the class of '40.

THE EDITOR ALWAYS HAS THE LAST WORD SOMEHOW



I feel that it is only proper that I should "crow" over the fact that I promised the book to you promptly and on time, but the fact remains that after nine months of tedious work I am scarcely able to see straight—let alone "toot my own bugle"; therefore, may I congratulate you, gentle readers, on your good fortune.

This, another Cactus, is on record. If it gives you a few lasting memories, its purpose will have been accomplished, just as planned. Why bother with an elaborate theme or dedication when the chosen purpose of the book is to preserve for the graduates of Marion High a certain something from their school days which can easily be re-lived by leafing through these pages?

Just because the word "I" is used in the preceding paragraphs please don't think for one minute that this book is the work of one individual—it definitely is not.

The members of the staff were chosen and formed into a small compact group because they had proven their worth in various other ways during their previous two years in Marion High School. They did everything asked of them, just as expected, so to them go heartfelt "Thanks."

Thanks to the experienced guidance of the faculty advisors, B. H. Penrod, director of publications, and Miss Gladys Lewis, treasurer, the editorial and financial headaches connected with an undertaking

such as this, were well doctored and caused little trouble.

Jack Hooker, business manager and chief photographer, did a Herculean job which ordinarily is assigned to two different individuals. "Thanks" in this unusual case go double.

Mr. John W. Kendall, principal, made the task lighter through his helpful boosts on the stage and off; therefore he still remains our No. One salesman and friend.

Bits of wisdom and advice were much appreciated when coming from Don Batton and Bob Anderson, editors of the 1938 and 1939 yearbooks. Ralph Cowan, 1938 graduate, whose splendid photography marks the Easter Parade section, was an invaluable asset whose talents should not be wasted on mere yearbooks.

Congratulations to our business associates, the Peerless Printing Corporation, Turner's and Beitler's Studios and the Fort Wayne Engraving Co., for the excellent work on their various phases of this book.

To the, as yet unappointed, editor of the 1941 Cactus, I offer my deepest sympathies, and at the same time wish you all the luck in the world—you'll need it.

That's all

ROBERT F. PRICE

Editor-in-Chief

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